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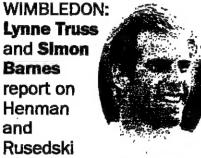
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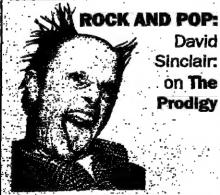
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## Blair hints at green tax rises in Budget

FROM PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR, IN DENVEI

TONY BLAIR will today hint at a range of green taxes in next month's Budget to improve the environment, cut fuel consumption and help the Government to meet its ambitious new target for reducing global warming.

In a stark message, the Prime Minister will call for a lifestyle revolution that will require everyone in Britain to change their habits. His remarks will be inter-Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, may target company cars, introduce higher than usual rises in fuel excise duties and bring in other

The last government regularly raised fuel duties by at least 5 per cent in real terms towards meeting the Rio target and Labour seems certain to build on that as part of its green strategy in next month's and future budgets.

Mr Blair will deliver a veiled

attack on the United States, Japan and Canada for their failure to live up to the the objectives set at the Rio Earth Summit five years ago. Speaking at a Rio 2 review conference at the United Nations in New York, the Prime Minister will declare that "it is time for the special pleading to stop".

Mr Blair's outspoken remarks in New York come after the refusal of the United States, Canada and Japan to accept the demands of the European Union for tougher targets on carbon dioxide emissions at the Summit of the Eight confer-

in one of the most heated debates at an otherwise uncontrogathering Mr Blair, Helmut Kohl, Jacques Chirac and other EU leaders pressed their demand for a 15 per cent reduction in the 1990 level of carbon dioxide

emissions by the year 2010. President Clinton dismissed the European target as "unrealistic" but M Chirac called the United States "the greatest polluter in the world" because of the greenhouse gases it pumped into the atmo-

Mr Blair flew from Denver to New York last night. At the United Nations today he will confirm Britain's target of a 20 per cent reduction by 2010.

Herr Kohl and M Chirac voiced frustration yesterday at the failure of some of the big countries to do enough to cut back on greenhouse gases. Both said it was the biggest issue at the summit The US declined to accept the EU demands. Jacques Santer, the Commission

President, voiced deep disappointment at the outcome. More work on targets will now have to take place at the special summit on climate change at Kyoto, Japan, in

Mr Blair will say today that if greenhouse gases continue to rise unabated by 2100 global tempera-



President Clinton welcomes Tony Blair to a dinner in Denver for which world leaders had been asked to dress ca

tures will have risen by between IC and 3.5C and sea levels by a metre. But he will add that Britain's new target will require more efficient use of transport, improved energy consumption and greater use of renewable sources of energy.

Giving an obvious hint about the next and future Budgets he will add: "All of us in tthe United Kingdom - business, consumers, government and individuals will need to change our habits, ways of living and doing considerably to achieve it." He will call on the industrialised countries to accept "legally binding" targets setting significant reductions in greenhouse gases during the first decade of the next century. Then in a clear message to the

Americans and Canadians he will say: "The biggest responsibility falls on those countries with the biggest emissions. We in Europe have put our cards on the table. It is time for the special pleading to stop and others to follow suit." As the argument raged in the

summit Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, piled on the pressure outside. He said that neither

takeover threat

America or Canada shared the EU's tough approach. He isued a warning that at the present rate of energy consumption the lifestyle of America and elsewhere could not be contained much beyond another quarter of a century without serious effects on the climate.

Last night, the Automobile Association expressed concern at possible higher-than-usual fuel tax increases. A spokesman said British drivers were already among the most

highly taxed road users in the world. Petrol and diesel tax increases were designed to raise revenue for the Treasury rather than have any environmental impact.

British drivers are taxed at

41.7p a litre of leaded petrol and 36.9p a litre of unleaded. On average, this means that almost 80 per cent of the price of every litre of fuel goes to the

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## Callaghan's secrets at risk under 20-year-rule reform

By VALERIE ELLIOTT, WHITEHALL EDITOR

A TREASURE trove of secret plans to reduce the 30-year delay on the publication of state papers.

Many disclosures will be brought forward under a proposal to drop the limit to 20 or 25 years, which will be included in the Freedom of Information White Paper to be published next month.

Under the plan, many leading politicians would still be alive when their discussion and decisions were opened to the public. Under a 20-year rule, for instance, the secrets of the last Labour administration under James Callaghan, now Lord Calla-ghan of Cardiff, would be among the early releases. Discussions about the economic crisis and the sending of Denis Healey, the

former Chancellor, now Lord

By JOHN GOODBODY

SPORTS NEWS CORRESPONDENT

THUNDERSTORMS drenched

record numbers queueing at Wim-

bledon yesterday but brought relief to England's cricketers by

washing-out play for most of the fourth day of the Lord's Test. At

the close Australia were 213-7 in

dled under tents outside the All England Club waiting to see Tim

At Wimbledon enthusiasts hud-

reply to England's 77.

Healey, cap in hand to the International Monetary Fund would be of particular interest.

Papers of the period would also give accounts of the "winter of discontent", when strikes by public-sector unions threw the country into chaos, with rubbish piled in the streets and some hospitals unable to admit patients. Ministers refused to declare a state of emergency because they believed that that would antagonise union leaders.

The early days of Margaret Thatcher's tenure at No 10 would be disclosed, as would the information that led to the exposure of Sir Anthony Blunt, former surveyor of the Queen's pictures, as "the fourth man" in the Russian spy ring. If ministers decide to cut the limit to ten years, the drama of the

Storms bring a threat and a hope

Henman, Britain's first seeded

male since 1982, in his opening

singles match on the new No.I

More than 12mm of rain fell on the club during the wettest June since 1991. The storms were

mainly in the South East, causing

of the Test and the start of the 111th

tennis championships. The Lon-

don Weather Centre said today

was likely to be "cloudy with

problems on many roads. Rain will threaten the final day

Westland helicopter crisis which prompted Michael Heseltine to walk out of Mrs Thatcher's Cabinet would be disclosed.

Ministers will also promise to review papers held indefinitely and those with upper limits of 50 or 75 years. The Public Record Office, which holds most of the government papers, has been asked to provide costings for a speedier release of documents. The government move is certain to bring a new campaign to reduce the limit

Government papers were first made available for release after 50 years under the Public Records Act, 1958. That was amended in to bring in the 30-year rule. Continued on page 2, col 5

showers." Tuesday was expected to be brighter before a further

The first person in the queue for

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the 500 unreserved seats in the

new 11,000-seat No.1 court was Frances Burgess, 37, from Gloucestershire, who had been

Atlantic depression arrives.

camping since Friday.

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NatWest Group, is to fight a rearguard action this week as speculation mounts that the high street bank could be subject to a takeover bid by Barclays or the Bank of Scotland. NatWest has been weekened by problems at its investment bankMarekt .. Page 48

#### Sadist returns to attack horses

A sadistic attacker of horses is feared to be back in action after a new spate of incidents in the south of England. Police believe that five attacks in the past three weeks are the work of the person responsible for many of the injuries inflicted on horses during an 18-month period from 1992...

#### Russian minister goes in sex scandal

Russia's Justice Minister was forced to step down at the weekend after the press published photographs of him cavorting with naked women at a private sauna frequented by the country's

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Brown prepares for

early funding switch

Gordon Brown is ready to switch spending from welfare to

teachers may have to be made redundant, ministers have to

emphasise that they are ready to be "flexible" if the welfare

to-work programme to be unveiled next week in the Budget

finds savings. But Mr Brown and his officials say ministers

would still have to stick to the spending limits set by the Tories. Mr Brown decided before the election that there would be no ministerial spending round this year.

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## Pressure grows for Aitken to quit Privy Council

By Andrew Pierce, political correspondent

amining the procedures by which Jonathan Aitken can be stripped of his Privy Counsellor title if he refuses voluntarily to give up the honour.

As the clamour grew last night for Mr Aitken to resign the position, which is granted for life by the Queen, it emerged that tentative steps had already been taken which could take the decision out of his hands. It would be only the second time in 75 years that such an action had been

Mr Aitken, who has gone into hiding since the collapse of his libel action over allegations that a Saudi prince

CABINET ministers are ex- bill, is believed to be in the United States. He is then expected to go to his mother's home in Ibiza to write a book about his downfall.

It also emerged yesterday that Mr Aitken was given a chance to withdraw from the action with his reputation intact, only ten days before the general election. Lord Saatchi, the Tories' advertising strategist, acted as an intermediary. He now faces the prospect of

imprisonment for perjury. The Crown Prosecution Service has advised The Guardian. which is calling for a prosecution, to write to the Metropolitan Police if it wants the matter investigated.
Alan Rusbridger, the editor



Profumo: resigned after affair with a call girl

of The Guardian, has sent a letter to Sir Paul Condon, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, seeking an investigareceived the letter. We are in contact with the newspaper'ssolicitors. At this stage the matter is not under investigation."

Pressure was growing from senior Tories for Mr Aitken to give up his status as a Privy Counsellor and the accompanying title of Right Honourable. They said he had lost all sympathy after it emerged he was prepared to let his wife and teenage daughter go into the witness box and lie.

The issue is on the Government's agenda. One minister said: "People have already begun to look at the procedures involved in stripping someone of the title. Decisions have not been taken, but we have established that the Privy up the matter."

Only the Queen has the power to strip a Privy Counsellor of office, but in effect the decision would be taken by members of the Cabinet, who are Privy Counsellors. The Leader of the Opposition

Lord Blake, the constitutional historian, said: "I would have thought that the likelihood is he would resign. It would be inconceivable if he

Alan Clark, the Tory MP friends, said: "I would not have been so generous in defending him on Newsnight had I been aware the way he used his daughter during the trial." But there was support

our MP Austin Mitchell who has been a friend for 30 years. He said: "Jonathan is a man of honour. It is a tragedy for him and his family."

Lord Rees, the former Labour Home Secretary, said: "I would have thought it was would also be consulted. ... very difficult for him to remain as a Privy Counsellor."

the Germans.
John Profumo, the War Minister, who lied to Parliament about his affair with a call girl in 1963, and John Stonehouse, the former Lab-our Minister convicted of theft

education as early as next year in the first sign of a relaxation in the rigid line on expenditure taken by Labour up to the general election (Philip Webster writes). Amid warnings that The last time a Privy Coun-

sellor was struck off was in 1921 when Sir Edgar Speyer was removed after being convicted of collaborating with

in 1976, both resigned.

## New school scrapped The Government has allowed Labour-controlled Milton

Keynes Borough Council to scrap plans for the first newlykeynes Borough Council to scrap plans for the first newly-built grammar school for 30 years. Governors of the proposed school failed on Friday to stop the move in the High Court but were given leave for judicial review in the autumn. However, as the governing body was dissolved by Milton Keynes on Wednesday, they will have to raise funds personally for further hearings.

## Aircraft radiation 'safe'

The Dutch airline KLM maintained yesterday that radiation levels on one of its planes flying from Amsterdam to Heathrow on May 2 were inside legal limits. The Observer had reported that defective medical equipment had exposed passengers to "a year's medical dose of radiation". A KLM spokesman said passengers were not told about the incident because there was no risk. The Civil Aviation Authority said that an international investigation was being carried out.

## Army promotes women

Women are to be given more opportunities in the Army, taking them closer to the frontline. John Reid, the Armed Forces Minister, is not planning to allow female combat soldiers, but there are likely to be more rules for women in frontline units, such as the Royal Engineers. The Army has been reviewing the issue since early last year and Dr Reid is expected to make an announcement about new roles for female soldiers in the next few weeks.

#### Crime costs NHS £200m

Fraud is costing the NHS up to £200 million a year, yet a quarter of it is not reported to police, according to a study of 82 health authorities by the Healthcare Financial Management Association. The report shows that the standard NHS prescription form is easily falsified by doctors, patients and chemists. Unscrupulous pharmacists are suspected of making £23 million by dispensing low cost medicines

## Kidnap 'bride' raped

A British woman is due to give evidence in Kenitra today. saying how she was imprisoned for three days and gangraped after refusing to marry a Moroccan man so he could settle in Britain. The 44-year-old woman from Birmingham had gone to visit the man and his family, but found that he allegedly wanted to marry her in order that he could be legally entitled to return with her. She managed to escape and alert the police and British Embassy.

## Clarke offered soccer job

## Clarke in pledge to behave like Heath

By ANDREW PIERCE POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

KENNETH CLARKE has vowed to model his return to the backbenches on the brooding presence of Sir Edward Heath, who never came to terms with Margaret Thatcher replacing him as Tory leader.

The prospect of the former Chancellor copying the former Prime Minister's long guerril-la campaign will dismay many Tory MPs. They had hoped that the leadership contest, and unexpectedly decisive margin of victory by William Hague, would end internal disputes. But it will hearten MPs on the pro-European wing of the party who are deeply concerned by the Eurosceptic make-up of the Shadow Cabinet.

The decision to put Peter Lilley, one of the most prominent rightwingers, in charge of a wide-ranging policy re-view has fuelled fears that the party has returned to a Thatcherite agenda.

The presence on the backbenches of Mr Clarke, joined by the pro-European John Gummer, who was dropped from the frontbench, was always going to be a source of anxiety to the new leadership. Mr Clarke told a friend: "I am going to model myself on Ted in the early

days of Margaret." Europe is expected to be the flashpoint between Mr Clarke porter said yesterday: "Ken wishes William well. But anyone who knows Ken will know that he will not be able to stay silent on Europe."

## Kenneth Clarke, the defeated Tory leadership contender and

keen Nottingham Forest fan, has been offered the Wray, owner of the club, which has been relegated from the Premiership, has asked the former Chancellor, who is MP for Rushcliffe, in Nottinghamshire, if he would oversee the dub's stock market floatation later this year. Mr Clarke was unavailable for comment yesterday.

## **Hague names Shadow Cabinet**

William Hague, the new Conservative Party Jeader, has announced his Shadow Cabinet:

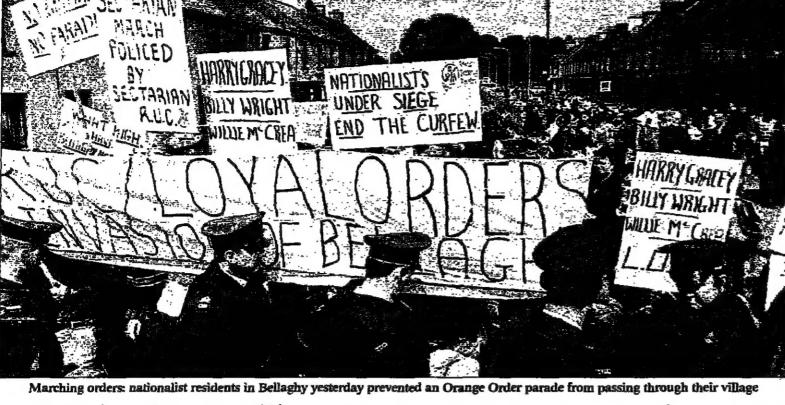
Shadow Chancellor: Peter Lilley (with overall responsibility for development of party policy) Foreign Secretary: Michael Howard Home Secretary: Dr Brian Mawhinney

Party Chairman: Lord Parkinson Education and Employment Secretary: Stephen Dorrell Shadow Leader: Gillian Shephard (also shad-

ows the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster) Leader of the Lords: Lord Cranbourne Defence Secretary: Sir George Young Trade and Industry Secretary: John Redwood Environment, Transport and the Regions: Sir Norman Fowler Constitutional Affairs Spokesman: Michael Ancram (with overall responsibility for Scottish and Welsh issues Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Minister:

David Curry International Development Secretary: Mastair Goodlad Chief Secretary to the Treasury: David leathcoat-Amory National Heritage Secretary: Francis Maude

Northern Ireland Secretary: Andrew Mackay Health Secretary: John Maples Social Security Secretary: Iain Duncan Smith Commons Chief Whip: James Arbuthnot Lords Chief Whip: Lord Strathclyde



## Blair tells Americans that IRA cannot stop peace process

BY PHIL WEBSTER IN DENVER AND NICHOLAS WATT

TONY BLAIR told the American people yesterday how his determination to seek peace in Ulster had been renewed by a child who wrote to him imploring him to find a solution.

nationwide ABC interview to step up his campaign to persuade Americans to stop supporting Sinn Fein after lengthy talks at the Denver summit with President Clinton. His intervention came as a contentious Orange parade passed off peacefully yesterday when loyalists complied with a police order which restricted their march through

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Tony Blair made a direct appeal for help and support from the American public in his efforts to find peace in Northern Ireland

Bellaghy, Co Londonderry.

Northern Ireland were desperate for peace. Referring to the IRA ceasefire that ended last year, he said: "When there was peace for that year or more and President Clinton came and visited Northern Ireland I can't tell you what it meant to families and peoples on the streets. "I got a letter from a little girl just a couple of days ago who just said to

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Mr Blair told Mr Clinton of the strenuous efforts that had been made by the Government, before last week's murders in Lurgan of two policemen, to bring Sinn Fein into the peace process. He told him that the Government had been ready to bring Sinn Fein into talks six weeks after the IRA declared a ceasefire and that

In his interview yesterday

intended to prevent that.

Mr Blair said there were parts of American opinion that had not understood how isolated the IRA were. He said that America under Mr Clinton now very little prospect of Mr Clinton receiving Gerry Adams, the Sinn Fein president. again while Sinn Fein continued to play with violence.

Mr Clinton said yesterday after meeting Mr Blair that he was appalled at the murders of the two policemen a few days ago. The ball is now in Sinn Fein's court."

Mr Blair gave warning that f Sinn Fein did not come into the peace process they could not hold it to ransom. "They can't sit there and say we're not going to let anyone else talk about a peace settlement. If they don't face up to their responsibility we have got to face up to ours and take the process forward."

Yesterday, police mounted a huge security operation in Bellaghy to prevent sectarian clashes after nationalists said that they would oppose the

Bellaghy will raise hopes that Northern Ireland will avoid a repeat of last summer's serious disturbances at the most contentious parade of the year which takes place in just cree, Co Armagh. Martin McGuinness was

passes through the whole vil-

age. The peaceful outcome in

righly critical yesterday of the Prime Minister's decision to cut off talks following last week's IRA murder of two policemen in Northern Ire-land. Mr McGuinness. a senior Sinn Fein strategist, said that the Prime Minister was going down the wrong track if he and other politicians tried to exclude Sinn Fein from the talks process. He said that the Government should not be 'eyeballing us".

Speaking at Sinn Fein's annual commemoration ceremony at the Co Kildare graveside of Irish Republican patriot Wolfe Tone, Mr McGuinness said that he realised that his party was being given one last chance to achieve an IRA ceasefire and that his party was not giving up on its peace strategy.

## Beef ban 'may last extra year'

By MICHAEL HORNSBY AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

THE European Union's ban on British beef may still be in place in a year's time. Jack Cunningham, the Agriculture Minister, said yesterday, Trying to set a deadline for lifting the han would not be sensible and the more realistic prospect was that the embargo might be relaxed in a piecemeal way.

Exports worth more than

9500 million a year have been blocked since late March, 1990, when the Tory Government disclosed that "mad cow" disease might have caused a new strain of the fatal human brain condition. Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease. Speaking on BBC TV's On The Record. Dr Cunningham said it was "possible" the ban would still be in force a year from now, adding: "I think it is realistic to expect that the ban may be lifted in a stepwise fashion - some products. some herds, some animals born after a certain date may have the ban lifted."

Dr Cunningham is under pressure from the farming community to get the ban lifted at least for mear from cattle born since last August.

## Secrets

Continued from page I Papers may be held for longer than 30 years if they are exceptionally sensitive and disclosure would be against the public interest: if they contained information supplied in confidence; or if they contained information about individuals that would cause distress or endanger lives. This applies to national security. international relations. defence or the country's eco-

nomic interests. David Clark, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, has announced that the Bill will be included in the next Queen's Speech and could become law early in 1999. At present, the sifting of documents is usually carried out by retired senior civil servants. One said last night: "It would be a huge task and people would have to be called in for a considerable period to get on top of the process. But if ministers drop the rule to ten years, I suspect a committee of the Privy Council would decide [on controversial releases.

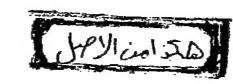
Lord Armsmong of Ilminster, the former Cabinet Secretary, said last night: "If the Government do wish to lower the limit. I think that custom and convention would dictate that if you change the rules on Cabinet papers, former prime ministers should be consulted,"

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## Which bank gives you a choice of 130 corporate business centres? ? Na Con

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## COMPANY CAR DRIVER COMPETITION UPDATE Stephen chooses the right route to

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reeman reports

THE importance of planning your route to avoid a last-minute panic and desperate driving achieved extra significance for Stephen Robson in The Times/Lease Plan Company Car Driver of the Year competition. Tony Dawe writes.

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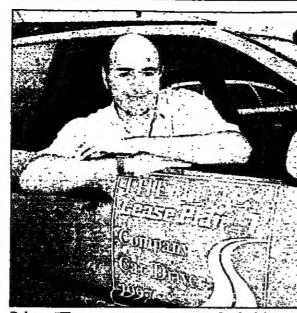
His expert choice of roads and accurate timing for a theoretical business trip was the decisive factor which enabled him to win the final heat in Coventry.

He scored seven points more on the exercise than runner-up lan Perry, who finished six points behind overall. They were neck and neck on the other tests which included braking, manoeu-vring, fault-finding and onthe road motoring.

Stephen's expertise was hardly surprising. He used to be the route planner for a fleet of heavy lorries delivering goods for Linpac Plasties before taking over as depot manager at Featherstone, Yorkshire "I still enjoy the challenge

of planning a journey with 20 or 30 deliveries to different parts of the country, but the company prefers to use a computer to do the job now," he said. "My present iob has cut down my company mileage to about 10,000 a year, but I still take a pride in my driving and enjoy taking my wife and two small boys to theme parks and the Lancashire and Yorkshire coasts."

Graham Edwards, winner of the other Coventry heat, is an equally enthusi-astic driver and covers 45,000 miles a year in his Renault Laguna as a technical salesman for the Adhe-



Robson: "The company uses a computer for the job now



Edwards: safety should be a priority for company drivers

sives Division of National Starch and Chemicals, based at Slough.
"I am on the safety action

group which is keen for company drivers to regard safety as a top priority," he said. "We undergo driver training with Drive Tech and 40 of the 60 regular

company car drivers at

Slough have passed tests set by the Institute of Advanced Motorists or Rospa."
Graham's main concern

now is that his wife. Barbara, who is expecting their second child in mid-July, does not deliver early and interrupt his appearance in the final of the competition at Silverstone on July 4.

## Travel in Atlantique style

A new generation of supercars is about

to arrive in Britain.

**Tony Dawe** reports

The launch in Britain this week of the race-bred, French-built Venturi Atlantique confirms that supercar salesmen believe the nation is ready once more for models with speed and style. The Atlantique will be followed by the Nissan Skyline GT-R, the first "budget" supercar, expected to retail at around E50,000.

Just to emphasise that elegance is all in Royal Ascot week, Aston Martin Lagonda has unveiled a derivative of the DB7, created exclusively for Alfred Dunhill and complete with a humidor for carrying fine cigars, a set of the company's carbon fibre pens and a Dunhill Millennium watch set in the facia panel.

The two-seat interior of the Atlantique features traditional full leather trim and walnut, but most enthusiasts will be more excited by its power, provided by an all-alloy 3-litre turbocharged Vo engine. This produces 281bhp at 5,300rpm, enabling acceleration to 60mph in 5.5 seconds and a top speed of 174mph.

The supercar boasts a composite glassfibre body bonded to a separate steel chassis and is hand-built in a new factory at Coueron on the banks of the Loire near Nantes. Its pedigree includes a racing background and six finishes out of eight starts in the Le Mans 24-hour race.

The man behind its arrival is Nicholas Mee, a former Aston Martin sales executive who nows runs his own dealership in South Kensington, west London. He has taken delivery of the first right-hand drive Atlantique and predicts a waiting list of six to eight weeks for the £59,579 car.

"The new factory is currently building 250 annually and I would be delighted to take 10 per cent of that number." he said. "The car is exceedingly quick without being temperamental or excessively thirsty, is an absolute delight to drive and very

The Skyline, which has only been available in Japan, will be unveiled at the London Motor Show and on sale in Britain from November 1 — with supply limited to 100. The "budget" supercar is also powered by a raceproven engine, a 2.6-litre, straight six,

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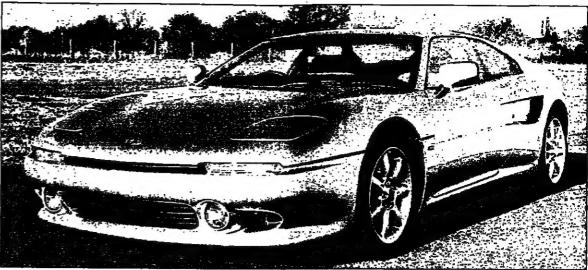
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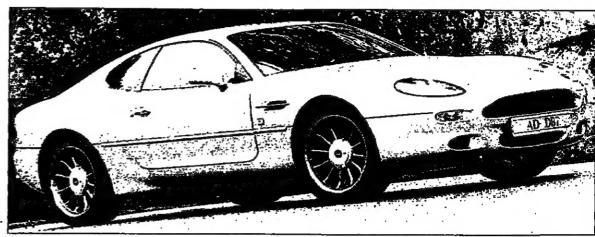
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Alfred Dunhill DB7: a humidor for fine cigars, a set of carbon fibre pens and a Dunhill Millennium watch



Skyline GT-3: the "budget" supercar, expected to cost around £50,000

24-valve unit capable of around 280bhp at 6,800rpm. It also features advanced vehicle control systems including fourdrive and Nissan's Super HICAS four-wheel steering system. Brian Carolin, Nissan's marketing

director. said: "Getting behind the wheel of the Skyline GT-R is one of the great driving experiences. We see it as a standard bearer for the rest of our range of vehicles."

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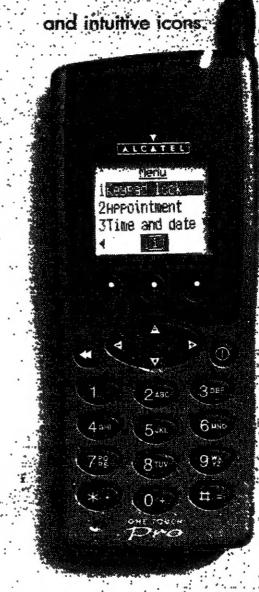
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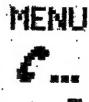


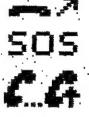




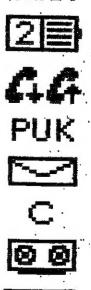














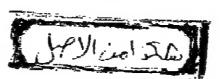




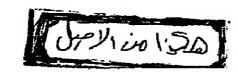








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## Watchdog broke **BBC** rules over outside funding

BY ALEXANDRA FREAM AND CAROL MIDGLEY

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THE BBC has claimed more than £300,000 from the European Commission to fund the Watchdog consumer show, in breach of internal rules banning it from receiving money from outside sources.

The corporation changed editorial policy guidelines re-lating to external funding after it emerged that two primetime programmes had received a total of more than E400,000 over five years from an obscure European fund.

At the time the money was claimed, BBC rules designed to protect the corporation's independence and integrity stipulated that programme makers must not accept outside funding for "programmes with any controversial or political content".

Insiders believe that producers may have been tempted to apply for the money because of an efficiency drive to reduce overheads, intro-duced by John Birt, the Direc-

Watchdog, a journalismbased programme presented by Anne Robinson, aims to expose bad practice. It regularly courts controversy and last year had more complaints upheld against it than any other BBC show.

Crimewatch, another toprating programme dealing with sensitive factual informa-tion, which is hosted by Jill Dando and Nick Ross, also



Robinson: presents the consumer programme

applied for and received £85,000 from the same European fund before the rule

Yesterday the BBC admitted that the two programmes had taken European money in the past, but denied contravening BBC guidelines at the time. Those guidelines, which app-lied until November 1996, stipulated that outside funding should be used for educational programmes and not those with any political or sensitive content.

The rules were tightened in 1996 to ensure that only programmes made by BBC Education, World Service Radio or the Regional Broadcasting Service could accept outside

A BBC spokesman said: "Watchdog has received money in the past from the EC to fund the making of programmes relating to Eurofigure quoted. But it was before these new guidelines came into the frame and the funding did stop more than a

year ago.
"Crimewatch did receive a small sum to fund a crime prevention video, but this is still only at the planning

Documents obtained from the European Commission show that Watchdog was awarded 464,226 ecus (£322,000) between 1992 and 1996. Crimewatch, which like Watchdog is made by the corporation's consumer and leisure unit, received its grant of more than £85,000 in 1996.

The money comes from a fund in the consumer policy directorate, designed to provide grants for projects that promote good consumer prac-tice. Jens Nymand Christensen, head of the directorate, said that the commission had not been aware that the grants breached the BBC's own rules.



Guang Yang, who was once a textile worker, thanked her former workmates for their part in her success

## Chinese mezzo wins Singer of the World

By Mark Henderson

A CHINESE mezzo-soprano whose factory workmates cov-ered for her while she took lessons has won the Cardiff Singer of the World competition.

Guang Yang. 26, set St David's Hall alight with a spark-ling performance of the closing aria from Rossini's La Cenerentola. Her other pieces in Saturday night's final were two Schubert songs and an aria from Thomas's Mignon. She won £10,000 and will sing in a concert at the Barbican.

She took up singing in 1991, while working in a factory in Beijing. I think this title belongs to everybody who helped me to achieve this," she said yesterday. "What excites me is not the result but to entertain the audience."

Guang, who graduated from the Central Conservatory of Music in Beijinglast July, is to continue her studies in China, although she has already received offers to tour. England's Christopher Maltman, a 27-year-old bari-

tone, won the Lieder Prize.

Richard Morrison, page 18

## **Teachers say Virgin** is being too lippy

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION EDITOR

formal complaint over an advertisement for the Virgin Lips soft drinks, in which a spoof notice from the "National Association of Teachers" announces a Naked

The risqué advertisement has appeared in two teenage magazines. The National Union of Teachers has complained to the the Advertising as Authority, and the union's general secretary, Doug McAvoy, has written to Virgin's chairman, Richard Branson, accusing the company of undermining efforts to promote higher standards among young people.

Mr McAvoy said: "Teachers and parents are increasingly concerned at the exploitation of young people and the destruction of their innocence for commercial purposes. The advertisement

TEACHERS have made a is in appalling bad taste, particularly when the age range of readers of these magazines is taken into account. Its attempt at humour is merely cheap innunendo."

The advert was carried by the Nintendo Magazine and Sugar, which is read mainly by teenage girls. It carries the slogan "Wet yourself with Virgin Lips" and suggests asking a teacher about the

A Virgin spokesman said: "Richard Branson knew nothing about this ad. It is purely a piece of humour and, if we have offended anyone, we apologise. But we find the NUT's concern impossible to understand and we are confident that the ASA will take the same attitude."

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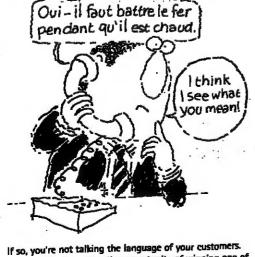
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## Labour Roundheads decline chance of Wimbledon freebie

CABINET ministers and Labour MPs will be thin on the ground at the Wimbledon tennis championships over the next fortnight. Companies eager to cultivate the new Government in corporate hospitality marquees have met a distinctly cool response from an administration wary of public sensitivity to allega-

tions of free-loading.
Few Labour MPs were seen at Royal Ascot and Lord's as the party's anti-sleaze image, and the stiffer requirements on accepting gifts in the wake of the Nolan committee's report, has led to caution.

Charles Miller, a director of the Public Policy Unit, a parliamentary lobbying company, said yesterday that his clients had received a series of polite refusals from ministers' certainly finding that organisations

Blair served new challenge

Tony Blair has become chairman of the Commons and Lords Tennis Club,

replacing Sir John Hannam, the former Conservative MP for Exeter, who

stood down after the general election. The Prime Minister is a keen tennis player and often plays a game with his family and friends at the weekends.

Sir Michael Spicer, the captain of the club, said he hoped that Mr Blair would join other MPs and peers in their annual competition with the All

England Club's veterans, which takes place soon after the finish of

Wimbledon fortnight.

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that have invited ministers to these things have in the main been refused. At least initially in this administration, MPs, particularly ministers, are being quite careful about where they are seen to be. It's not that it's wrong to hobnob with business and industry, it is the way in which it is done," he said. "They do not want to be seen doing anything other than rolling up their

sleeves at the moment, and certainly not going off on corporate jollies." The approach also saw Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, refuse to wear evening dress at a recent banquet. "I think there has been an

invisible diktat from Labour head-quarters that it would look bad if they were seen swanning around Glyndebourne, Wimbledon and places like that." Mr Miller said. Wimbledon itself, sensitive to ac-

cusations of squeezing out "real". fans, has cut the number of corporate hospitality marquees on its grounds from 46 in 1991 to 39 this year. Although big business ac-counts for less than 10 per cent of the tickets, the hospitality market is still

booming.
Off the site, the overspill of bankers, brokers and other business guests is absorbed by acres of marquees belonging to the entertainment specialists Keith Prowse. SportsWorld and Mike Burton Cor-

porate Hospitality. Persistent heavy rain yesterday saw crowds of part-time workers scurrying to lay duckboards across the swampy ground and put the final touches to the renamed Barker, Durie and Wade Debenture Holders' car parks. Others supervised the installation of hanging gardens, flower boxes and menus promising chicory, watercress and walnut sal ads, scotch salmon, dressed crab and apricot bonne femme dessert.

Customers will this year have to pay £1.85 for ten British strawberries and cream, 5p up from last year; and E5.70 for a pint of Pimm's.

Sir Michael Spicer, Tory MP for West Worcestershire and captain of the Commons and Lords tennis team, said that fewer Tory MPs also seemed to be going to Wimbledon than before. He said: "I think MPs are far more wary of accepting corporate hospitality of this sort now, especially at Wimbledon."

Tony Wright, Labour MP for Cannock Chase and a keen tennis player, said that he had not been asked to go to Wimbledon. "I have foolishly hoped that one day someone might offer me a ticket. If there is an opening in the market, I am ready to be incorruptibly invited

to go."

He said the new make-up of the Commons meant "it is now full of ordinary people who are used to paying for going to see something", and fewer would be going to the great social sporting events.

Another Labour MP said he

would love to go to Wimbledon but did not feel he was able to in the new political climate. "We are Roundheads now," he said.



No I Court at Wimbledon being covered during the rain yesterday

## GPs keep mentally disabled patients off books

By IAN MURRAY MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

FAMILY doctors are dropping patients with learning disabilities from their lists because they take too much time to treat, according to a survey published today by Mencap, the mental health

charity.

"In general practice you get-paid a capitation fee," the report says. "You get your quota for each patient, so if you are doing a dozen house calls a year it is not good economics from the general-practice point of view."

On average each GP has about 36 patients on their list with learning disabilities, of whom about seven are likely to be severe cases. The move away from long-stay mental institutions to community care means that GPs are seeing more cases. Yet, the report says, they are undertrained to deal with them.

The survey, among 1,875 GPs, found only a few cases of doctors withdrawing care, but it was generally acknowledged that this has been happening since 1994. Doctors are also less likely to take on new patients suffering with learning disabilities. :

The report cites one case where a doctor in Birmingham removed seven out of eight patients in a Mencap home from his list. The one kept on was the only one not on medication.

Fiona Burke, who manages Mencap home in Ilford, east London, said that three years ago, when she was at another home in the area, six patients were suddenly told to find a new GP after an emergency call for an evening visit.

Ms Burke said: Then there was the problem of finding a new GP. I personally called about ten surgeries and, in five cases, they said they had room. But the attitude changed tremendously as soon as they heard where the patients were from.

"Suddenly I was told they couldn't také any more péople. One actually said, "We don't take people with learning difficulties.' Others said, 'We don't have to give a reason.' I think the problem is that, for so many years, these people were in institutions and GPs didn't have to deal with them."



Fry: hates his looks

## Fry tells how near he came to suicide

By A STAFF REPORTER

THE actor and writer Stephen Fry is to disclose how he came within a second of turning on his car ignition and trying to kill himself with exhaust fumes.

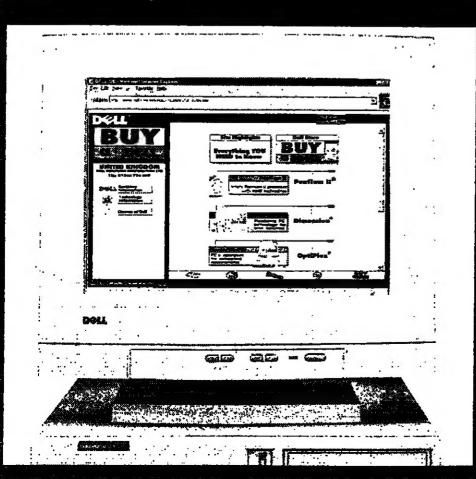
The admission comes during an interview for BBC Radio 4's In The Psychiatrist's Chair, to be broadcast on Sunday, and within his memoirs, to be published in October. Fry discloses how close he came to committing suicide after his dramatic exit from the play Cell Mates two years ago. He was said to have fled the stage after wounding reviews. It was, he says, only a vision of his parents that prevented him from going through with the attempt.

Fry, whose film about Oscar Wilde opens later this year, tells the psychiatrist Anthony Clare: "I had my hand on the key and a duvet cover around the car door so that the exhaust fumes would be kept in. I was deeply, deeply unhap-py and lonely. Yet, he recalls, he felt that he had no right to be unhappy, particularly as people kept telling bim how successful

On the programme he also discloses how he realised he was homosexual while still at school, after a platonic crush on a fellow pupil. In the interview, he talks of homosexual affairs and, more recently, a stable relationship. --

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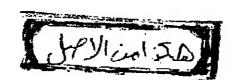
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Rosemary West.

## Hundreds of fakes found in library's Chinese collection BY IAN MURRAY MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

By Dalya Alberge, arts correspondent

THE British Library has discovered up to 600 fakes in its important collection of "ancient" Chinese manuscripts. New tests have revealed that they are the work of 20th-

and consultant at Cardiff Dental Hospital, told dele-gates to the British Dental Earlier this century, it has emerged, library staff were Association annual conferduped into acquiring scrolls ence: "We see children from the age of a few supposedly dating from AD 400 to 1025. Genuine months right up to the time items would be worth tens of they are teenagers, and we thousands of pounds today. Susan Whitfield, the British get to know them in a way that their doctors never do.

Library's curator of Chinese manuscripts, said that some may have been manufactured in a massive forging operation run by a Chinese collector whose eminent reputation gave him a respectability that buyers did not question. Shengduo Li's activities lasted from 1911 until the 1950s, and began when he persuaded a Chinese official to divert to his house an ox cart transporting a large collection of real

manuscripts from the Silk Road site of Dunghuang to the National Library of China. Forged copies were later

reproduced by the hundred. Serial numbers on the authentic manuscripts were altered to tally with the forgeries. After his death in 1935, Li's eight sons carried on the business. The fakes are scrolls imitat-

ing the authentic examples and range up to 70ft long. Dr Whitfield said: "They are surprisingly long. You'd think they'd fake short ones." They primarily feature Buddhist sermons and canonical texts. In authenticating the collec-

tion, part of the library's research centres on dyes, paper and ink. They have drawn on the expertise of Kenneth Seddon, Professor of Chemistry at Queen's University of Belfast, who has developed a new analysis. Dr Whitfield said: "Previous methods to discover what

alone in having been duped over the past century. The library is staging the first international conference on such forgeres. It includes a public lecture on July 3 at the School of Oriental and African Studies in Russell Square.

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The subject is sensitive. Dr Whitfield said that Japan refused to accept that mistakes were made. Professor Akira Fujieda, of Kyoto University, who is coming to the conference, believes that his chapter on forgeries was omitted by government publishers from a 1965 catalogue on Kyoto's Dunghuang collection.



It fell off the back of an ox cart: a fake, top, and a real scroll proven in dye tests

## Writers book in for literature's £1m answer to the Proms

THE writer Doris Lessing, the director Sir Richard Eyre and the bookseller Tim Waterstone are among leading figures who are establishing the literary world's answer to the Proms.

The ten-day London Festival of Literature, to be launched in 1999, promises to be Europe's largest event of its kind. Writers

written and oral work throughout the city. from Clapham to Cockfosters. Readings, talks and experimental workshops will reach out to the youngest readers as well as seasoned bibliophiles, while screenings, stage events and exhibitions will blur boundaries between art forms

A forgery, left, and the real thing: inconsistency in the thickness of strokes is one of the differences

Lessing, whose books include The Grass Is Singing, said: "I am sure people will

look forward to celebrating literature and the city. It's not just literature, but all types of things - storytelling, film, television, dance and music."

gather people from all over the world and, like the Proms, be on an enormous scale." A festival director is yet to be appointed. John Hampson, principal literature officer of the London Arts Board, said: "One of the elements we'd like is a masterclass for an established writer to work intensively for

festival could really enhance that work; and people like Ray Davies will give creative writing workshops on the lyrics of popular

The venture is backed by the Arts Council, the London Arts Board and the London Tourist Board, among other organ-

## Common land may be fenced by trust

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY COUNTRYSIDE CORRESPONDENT

THE National Trust has proved its right to fence any of its 159,500 acres of common land, amounting to about 8 per cent of the total in England and Wales.

The verdict ends a longstanding dispute over the interpretation of the law between the trust and the Open Spaces Society. Mr Justice Lindsay ruled in the High Court that the 1971 National Trust Act had "clear and unambiguous" powers to fence its common land, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State for the

Environment.
The dispute arose over plans by to erect 1,800 yards of wooden fence alongside a section of the A39 in the Quantock Hills near Bridgewater. Somerset. Fencing is needed, according to the trust, to prevent cattle, sheep and ponies from straying onto the

The Open Spaces Society says the trust should employ shepherds to protect the animals, rather than put up fencing. Ramblers will still have physical access to the land over 12 stiles, but their sense of freedom would be "psychologically" diminished, said the society's chairwoman, Kate Ashbrook.

We are disappointed that so much common land is now at risk of being fenced," she said. Trust officials said the power would be exercised only as a last resort". The case turned on whether

the trust was still bound by the 1907 National Trust Act, which prohibits it from "enclosing" any of its common land-holding, or whether this had been modified by the 1971 Act. The judge said that fencing commons had been "regarded with repugnance" since at least the time of Elizabeth I, but the 1907 Act had come into force in an age when the motor car was still young". It was clear that the 1971 Act had conferred power Arts, pages 18, 19 to fence common lands.

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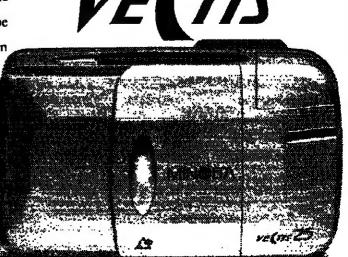
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## Pick your own policemen, Brixton told

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O'Brien: said police might be able

saw a friend being robbed this

rant, he tried to stop the

raiders with a saucepan lid. He was shot dead at close

Outside a pub in the same

street a few weeks previously.

Devon Dawson, 29, was shot

dead with a sub-machinegun

after an argument. Last week-

end a 14-year-old boy was shot in the chest as he went to

Nobody has been arrested

yet for these latest shootings in Brixton. The south London

community is in the grip of gun law. In a food shop in

Railton Road, four shop own-

ers admitted this week that

they had all been threatened

with guns in recent months

and none of them had report-

None wanted to be named

as they said they were afraid

of armed reprisals. One said:

"Burglars feel undressed

without a gun around here.

Anyone who wants to be a big

man carries a weapon and

Where they used to carry a

knife or hit you, nowadays a

mugger is likely to shoot you."

In a Brixton pub, an after-

ed the incidents to police.

answer his front door.

Community offered say in recruitment as fears of gun law increase

By Daniel McGrory

A DRAMATIC increase in armed street crime has prompted senior policemen to offer a community a say in choosing its own officers.

Muggers and burglars in Brixton, south London, routinely carry firearms and, after the fatal shootings of two men in recent weeks, senior officers are anxious to calm local fears and to restore confidence in the

They are suggesting that, for the first time in Britain, the largely black community should be involved in police recruit-ment. The proposal has received a qualified blessing from leading figures at Scotland Yard, but has been dismissed by most officers on the beat.

Community leaders in Brixton have criticised the police for not doing enough to curb the spate of shootings: this month a 14-year-old boy was critically wounded

Some Brixton shop owners do not bother to

report gun threats, because they live in fear

of reprisals, Daniel McGrory reports

when a gunmen shot him through his front Brixton, said: "We have to get greater door. A prominent community leader said: If this had happened in Chelsea or Hampstead all hell would be let loose, but in Brixton no one bothers."

Black leaders say that taking part in police recruitment would be a way to improve community confidence in the force. Some want to select which beat officers patrol their streets. They also want to veto officers they claim are insensitive to racial tensions.

The police architects of the initiative rule out such direct involvement. But they admit that, to end years of hostility, residents could have a say in recruitment and selection policy. They could also advise the Metropolitan Police Commissioner on making the most senior appointments at police stations in sensitive areas.

Chief Inspector Alan O'Gorman, community liaison officer for the London borough of Lambeth, which includes

participation from the community so we have to start with a blank piece of paper and consider what was once the unthinkable. The idea is not to let residents say who can and can't police their streets, but rather profile the sort of candidates we should be recruiting."

Denis O'Connor, Assistant Commissioner for Southwest London, said: "We want the community to support and join us. It could be them suggesting the sort of recruits we should be looking for, the qualities that our officers should have." Mr O'Connor described as "problematical" the idea of allowing residents to select individual officers to police them. "An officer who might suit one person could upset their neighbour."

Superintendent Mike O'Brien, who is in operational charge at Brixton police station said: "In broad terms I am not against the concept of external assistance in selecting the best police officers. We would have

Lloyd Leon, deputy chairman of the Lambeth Community Police Consultative Group, said: "We want to recruit officers whom we can respect and have confidence in. Some who are sent to Brixton have no idea what they are in for."

However, Nicholas Long, the chairman of the committee, which was set up to give the community a say in policing after the 1981 Brixton riots, said: "I don't think in my lifetime you will see civilians having a say

Mike Bennett, of the Police Federation, said: "The idea is not feasible. The Metropolitan Police Commissioner must have the responsibility in recruiting and posting officers. It cannot be left to individual areas just because they have a difficult reputation. It would be intolerable to allow residents to dictate who can and cannot patrol their streets."

our efforts to stop. In some

parts of this community, there

is an acceptance there is some

sort of gun law, but the

overwhelming majority of

residents are behind our

efforts to rid this community

The police have launched a

poster campaign in the area asking local residents to use a

confidential telephone service

to reveal anyone they know

said: "We promise them abso-

lute anonymity. They need

not be scared the gunmen will

who has a gun. One officer

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## Nineteen soldiers face sack for drugs

Nineteen soldiers could face dismissal from The Royal Anglian Regiment after testing positive for drugs. A random test by military police on 700 of the regiment's soldiers on June 2 showed that the men had been taking Ecstasy, amphetamines, LSD and cannabis.

A Ministry of Defence spokesman said: "We take an extremely serious view about drugs. The individual cases of these men will be examined carefully and some may be sacked.

Nine men were kicked out of The Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment in March after a

#### Hostage quest

Julie Mangan, wife of Keith Mangan, the Briton who was taken hostage in Kashmir two years ago, will visit the state this week with the wife of one of three other Western hostages to seek information about her husband.

#### Nurse evidence

Lawyers in Saudi Arabia will offer evidence today that the family of an Australian nurse are eligible to demand the death penalty if the British nurses Deborah Parry and Lucille McLaughian are convicted of her murder.

#### Fatal rail fall

A man aged 23 died after falling on to a live rail while taking a short cut along a railway line at Lymington, Hampshire, police said. He and another man had been heading for Lymington Pier from the station.

#### Racism helpline

The TUC is launching a telephone service to help victims of racial harassment at work. A spokesman said that the service was in response to the fact that half of Britain's largest companies had no mechanism for dealing with racism.

#### Match winner

Gareth Southgate, the Aston Villa footballer who missed a penalty for England in their Euro 96 semi-final against Germany, married Alison Bird at the Church of St Nicholas in Worth,

## Pit bull bites PC

PC Robin Linton suffered serious arm wounds after being bitten by a pit bull terrier at a house in Springfield. Dumfries and Gailoway. The dog's owner was arrested and the animal taken to police

## Roadside death

A woman died after being hit by a Land Rover as she pushed her broken-down car along the A3 at Liphook, Hampshire. The woman, in her 30s, was certified dead at the scene. The driver of the other vehicle was unhurt.



Nicholas Long in the centre of Brixton. He doubts that civilians will have a say on selection boards

prosecution. Extra detectives

have been drafted into the

area to help to solve the recent

the upsurge in shootings has

anything to do with the

Yardies, Jamaican gangsters

who are pivotal figures in the

drugs trade. One said: "These

are just local hoodlums who

like to style themselves with

the fancy name for some

Superintendent Mike

O'Brien, who is in operational

charge at Brixton, said: "The

Police scorn the idea that

noon drinker overhearing a conversation about the number of weapons that have appeared in the area offers to obtain "a handgun in two hours for £200. An automatic

'Burglars round here

now feel undressed

if they are not armed'

will cost you £900." A group of youngsters on their lunch break from school imitate a shootout with sound effects as they pass the police station. The children, aged !! to 14, boast that they know the identities of some of the local gunmen. This may be doubtful, but it is a reflection that they are aware that firearms are playing an increasing role

in the estates where they play. Police sources say that the number of local firearms incidents has risen alarmingly in the past two months. On average they deal with about 20. The most recent figures have more than doubled. they are not hard to buy. Police say that one gang of armed raiders is thought to be responsible for more than 20

Lloyd Leon, vice-chairman

of the Community Police Consultative Group for Lambeth. said: "The number of firearms incidents is far higher than the police realise, because most go unreported."

Mr Leon told how a masked gunman burst into his pub and fired into the ceiling while he was standing óft away. In March a gunman pounced on a woman as she sat in a minicah in Coldharbour Lane, produced a silver handgun, put it against her head and pulled the trigger twice. On both occasions, the gun jammed and the gunman fled.

In the same month two men were shot and wounded in separate incidents. Last month a delivery driver was held up at gunpoint and robbed of L20 crates of drink. Five days later a mugger pulled a gun on a passer-by who tried to intervene in a

Mr Leon said: "There was a time that the only criminals who carried guns were drugs threaten us all."

dealers, but everyone has them now. Those who carry guns have to be made to feel unwelcome in their communities, no matter what their

"The mother and grandmother of the 14-year-old who was shot attended a meeting this week to do something about the gummen and were distraught to hear local people arguing about lack of faith in the police. This is not a race issue. The gunmen

Darcus Howe, a barrister and black community leader, admitted in a recent article in the New Statesman that he is considering moving for the sake of his family's safety. after 25 years of living in Brixton.

He said: "It's coming too close for the comfort of my family. The threat of the stray bullet haunts all."

He was a friend of Anthony Baker, known locally as Dread. The clothing worker was a powerfully built young man who was proud of his

He was killed while trying to stop two thieves stealing jewellery from the son of the proprietor of the Control Tower restaurant in Coldharbour

Police in Brixton have seized 15 guns this year, including sawn-off shotguns, a semi-automatic Luger and a array of handguns. Detectives concede that proposed legislation to ban the ownership of handguns will do nothing to persuade the gunmen of south London to hand over their weapons, even if they were to offer an amnesty from



Victims: Devon Dawson, left, shot outside a pub. and Anthony Baker, who was rescuing a friend

## Wren lodges shore leave harassment challenge

BY FRANCES GIBB

A WREN who was winched off a Royal Navy ship by helicopter after 15 months of alleged harassment is bring-ing a test action today which could make the service liable for the actions of servicemen off-duty and on shore leave. In a case backed by the Equal Opportunities Commission, the 27-year old woman will claim at an industrial tribunal at Croydon, south London, that she needed psychiatric treatment because of her treatment between January 1994 and May 1995. Alan Lakin, a legal adviser to the commission, said: This case is the first time that a woman has not only complained of harassment on board ship. but also when on shore

The woman does not wish to be named. The commission will argue that, if the Navy knew of what was happening. or that it was likely to happen, it should have taken reasonable steps to prevent it. The Royal Navy denies the allegations, and argues that incidents on shore were not part of the woman's employment.

The action was being brought under the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 and would extend an employers' liability. Mr Lakin said.

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## PoW tells of escape maps printed on secret press

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A BRITISH veteran held prisoner of war by the Germans has described how he helped to set up a secret printing press to produce 3,000 maps for all the inmates to make a mass breakout as the Nazis

Royal Engineer Captain Wallis Heath, MC, now 80, was held in a camp in north-ern Germany in 1944. He has come forward to tell his story after The Times disclosed how the games maker Waddingtons liaised with the War Office to supply silk maps of

Germany, concealed in Mo-nopoly sets, to PoW camps, Mr Heath never knew who had supplied the one silk map of Germany sent to his PoW camp in Brunswick, but it led to an extraordinary secret mission that involved three men who had been in the

printing business. Mr Heath had been captured by the Germans in Tunisia in 1942. He was serving with the 237th (Highland) Field Company Royal Engineers, and in 1942 was artached to the 78th Division. In November 1942 he drove into a German ambush while on a reconnaissance mission to check out a bridge near Tunis. The camp at which he ended up was next to an airfield that was constantly



maps of the area came at a moment of crisis in the camp in 1944. There had been an attempt on Hitler's life and the SS and Gestapo began to tighten their grip. The day after the assassination attempt on Hitler an SS general visited the camp, causing fear among

the prisoners. Mr Heath, of St Andrews, Fife, said: "People began to realise that the final scenes of liberation might not quite follow the stage directions, and if these forces of unrestrained evil were let loose throughout Germany, all of us might find ourselves in condi-

tions of complete anarchy."
It was decided that arrangements should be made to get all the prisoners out of the camp as soon as the war was over, each armed with a map to make his way across Germany. Mr Heath said:

"Maps were constantly being

Captain Heath in 1944, and the area of the map copied laboriously by hand for individual escape efforts, but

this was a camp of some 3,000

The escape committee came up with the idea of forming a prisoners' press and word went round for PoWs with printing experience to come forward. Mr Heath, with Pip Evans and Ken Whitworth, formed what became known

as the Brunswick Printers. Mr Heath said: "We found that if we took some large unglazed tiles off the walls of the passages and lavatories and ground them together. face to face, with Vim, we could get a smooth, clean receptive surface from which

to make a printing plate."

They then took a tracing from the Waddingtons silk map and, using a piece of carbon, transferred it on to the tile. Separate tracings were made of the different colours

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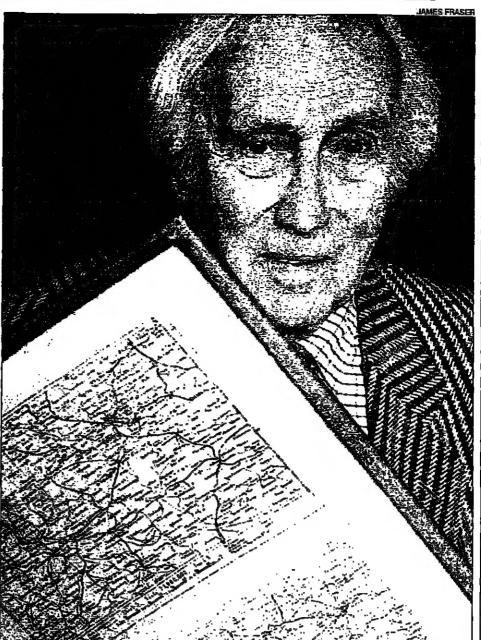
Mr Heath and his fellow printers improved the quality of the tracing by going over the details with a fine mapping pen dipped in boiled margarine. Each tile was then coated with gelatine from jel-lies sent in Red Cross food parcels to render its surface nsensitive to any further

Mr Heath said: "We then had a printing plate which we could damp with a sponge and ink by rolling it over with a greasy-based ink which we'd got from the Red Cross. The map design on the plate repelled any moisture from the sponge because it had been drawn with our margarine."

For an hour and a half a day Brunswick printers applied the map impression on the makeshift printing plates on to paper, until there were 3,000 mprints covering the areas of Bremen, Hamburg and

Braunschweig. The maps were ready for the day of liberation, but they were never needed. Despite their earlier fears, they were liberated by an American cavalry unit and told to stay in the camp for a further II days because there was "mayhem"

in the country. Mr Heath kept a few copies of the maps, which he believes may be the only ones to have



Wallis Heath with a map that he helped to make on makeshift printing plates

## Blind call for ban on footpath cyclists

By Ian Murray

BLIND people are demanding new legislation to stop cyclists using footpaths and to prevent drivers from parking on pavements.

Delegates to the National Federation of the Blind's con-ference in Solihull, in the West Midlands, agreed yesterday that the car on the kerb and the bicycle on the path consti-tuted a menace that prevented them going out. They were especially worried that the plan by the charity Sustrans to create a national cyclepath network would make many walks no-go areas for blind and partly sighted people unless separate cycle tracks were built.

Although blind people recognised the environmental benefits of persuading motorists to leave their cars at home, ber of paths they had to share with cyclists, said Jill Allen-King, the federation's spokeswoman. "Some of our members who have been hit by cycles simply won't go out any more because they are so scared. Since bicycle bells were not compulsory, you can't hear bikes coming, and guide dogs don't know what to do, because they don't expect bikes on the pavement".

"We are calling for a total ban on parking on pavements. So many blind and partially sighted people are prevented from walking safely, both because of cars blocking their way and because of broken and cracked paving slabs."

## **Ministers** to act over jail hate campaigns

bombed by the Americans.

The idea of mass-producing

By A STAFF REPORTER

THE Government yesterday promised action to prevent prisoners harassing their vicims from behind bars. More than 100 women are claimed to have been terrorised by elephone and letter by those jailed for abusing them. Home Office ministers, in-

cluding Joyce Quin, the Prisons Minister, are due to meet police and probation officers mext month to discuss the extent of the problem and how to tackle it. A Home Office spokeswoman said that random monitoring of telephone calls made by prisoners had already begun. Prison officers also have the power to screen mail if they believe that an inmate is conducting a hate campaign.

Harry Fletcher, spokesman for the National Association of Probation Officers, said: "Prison officers have reported dozens if not hundreds of individuals over the last two years who hassle and terrorise their victims. But what is particularly sinister is that, once they get found out, they pass on details to fellow inmates who continue to harass

A Prison Service spokesman said that he did not accept the figures. "But if someone is being harassed we need to know about it."

There had been cases where telephone and letter writing privileges had been withdrawn: In serious cases police could be called in but the spokesman said that he was not aware of any prosecutions.

## **Curtains for** redcoats at two Butlin's camps

BY MARK HENDERSON

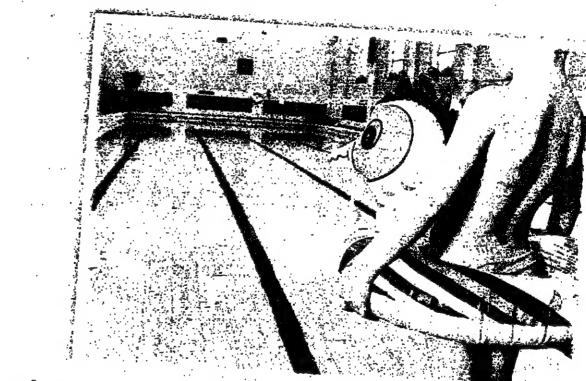
THE Butlin's redcoats are to make their last appearance at two holiday camps, as the owners attempt to change Redcoats will bow out at

Buthin's in Pwilheli, North Wales, and Ayr as the Rank Group moves to open modern holiday centres in place of the traditional camps. The holiday centres will offer a higher standard of accommodation and a range of sporting and leisure activities. Although Redcoats will continue to work at Butlin's resorts in Minehead, Bognor Regis and Skegness for the moment, the company is considering doing away with them altogether. Buttin's, which celebrates

its sixtieth anniversary this year, was founded by Billy Butlin to offer cheap seaside holidays for working-class families. The redcoats were supposed to make sure campers stayed cheerful whatever the weather.

Butlin's has been performing poorly against rival camps which offer better facilities, and cheap package holdidays abroad. The Rank Group is concerned about the downmarket image of the camps, which has been reinforced by film and television parodies portraying bossy staff, spartan conditions and

poor food. Andrew Teare. Rank Group's chief executive, said the Butlin's brand was strong. but needed to be improved. "We are turning it upside down and inside out," he said.



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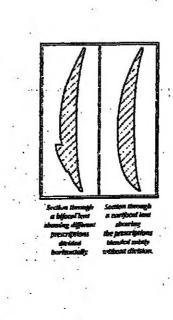
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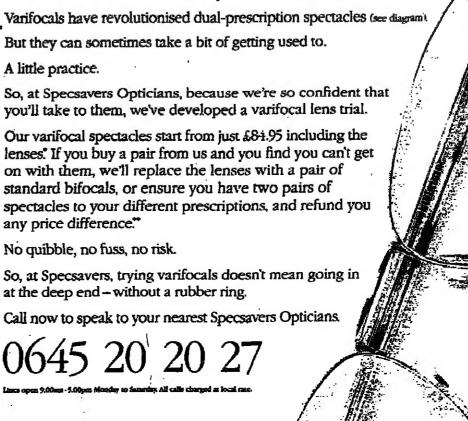


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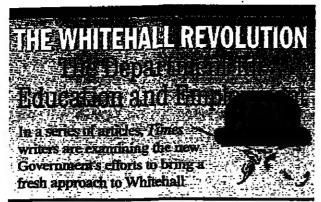
NEXT month's Schools White Paper, to be published in record time, will set the seal on the most dramatic transformation of any department in Whitehall

Tony Blair's pre-election pledge to make Education and Employment one of the great departments of state seemed to have been forgotten when only one Cabinet minister was appointed, rather than the promised two. But the pace of change since May 2 has left civil servants gasping.

Only seven weeks after the election, the first legislation abolishing the Assisted Places Scheme — is through the Commons, European Union negotiations on employment have begun to make progress. and the White Paper is in its final stage of drafting. In between it has managed to produce more policy an-nouncements and initiatives than any other department.

The department had been earing up to accommodate David Blunkett, as the first blind Secretary of State, for several months. But the switch to shorter, taped submissions and more delegation has accelerated a change of culture in the department.

Mr Blunkett set the tone in his first week in office, hiring Westminster Central Hall to address all 2,000 Londonbased civil servants, along with his full ministerial team. in the north of England he has



repeated his appeal for officials to set aside any "natural cynicism" to help to restore confidence in public services. Under the "partnership" proposed by Mr Blunkett, civil servants are expected to take

week, for example, Michael Bichard, the Permanent Secretary, urged the Association of Teachers and Lecturers to stop attacking Chris Woodhead, the Chief Inspector of Schools. In previous eras

gasping 🤊 such a speech have would been the preserve of politi-

Even the structure of the department is unconventional. Michael Barber, seconded from London University's In-

stitute of Education, is head-

ing a standards and

effectiveness unit — a role that

would normally go to a civil servant. The unit is intended to be the engine for school improvement producing poli-cy proposals and helping to identify best practice.

Ministerial boundaries on a more public role. Last have changed as well. Two of the team will straddle educa-6 The pace tion and employment, conof change

one of Mr Blunsince May 2 kett's strong in-terests: lifelong has left civil learning. Breaking down baracademic and vocational education, and persuading adults

to continue learning at work will be among the administration's objectives. But there are urgent issues to address. The first public spending round will be test-

ing, with the Conservative

plans adopted by Labour be-

fore the election certain to

no extra money can be found. Mr Blunkett is said to have been pressing the Treasury for more resources, but the only manifesto commitment was to increase investment in education during the next five years. Equally unpopular with middle-class voters, but prob-

result in cuts to school budgets and teacher redundancies if

ably unavoidable, will-be the abandonment of free tuition. as well as maintenance grants, for university students. Sir Ron Dearing's report on high-er education will be published soon, making for a heetic period of policymaking before the Commons' summer recess. Even then there will be no

let-up, Mr Blunkett has promised; he is determined to have full consultation on the White Paper. In new Labour style, the opinions of teachers, governors and parents on the pro-posals are being sought in focus groups. Once the plans are published, there will be more innovations, such as consultation with the public via com-puter, regional conferences, and expert witnesses at the Commons committee stage.

The Education Bill was cited in the Queen's Speech as the Government's top priority for this session. With responsibility for the welfare-to-work programme and detailed negoti-ations on the social chapter of the Maastricht treaty also on his shoulders, Mr Blunkett has an unenviable workload. Stephen Byers, the standards minister, remarked: "I think people in education appreciate that we are all in this together.'

EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT TEAM

**DAVID BLUNKETT: Secretary of State** 

The 50-year-old former leader of Sheffield City Council is still enjoying a honeymoon period with teachers and parents, although some colleagues resent his conversion to Blainte policies. Fermidable performer In the Commons, he uses his own background to advantage to raise expectations in schools. Blind since birth, he lost his father in an industrial accident, went to a boarding school he hated and spent six years at night school getting the A levels he needed for university. Taught in a further education college before

STEPHEN BYERS: Schools Former leader of North Tyneside Council is considered a rising star, despite appearing to overstep the mark by telling journalists over dinner of Labour plans to sever trade union links. A whip in opposition, he now has highprofile role on school standards. Aged 44, has a polytechnic degree and lectured in law before becoming an MP in 1994.

Another former teacher, aged 45, with ten years' experience at a Coventry comprehensive, has impressed civil servants with fresh Ideas. Father and uncle both Labour MPs, she won Birmingham Yardley by 162 votes but now has majority of 5,000. Also a whip in Opposition, previously led Labour group on Warwick District Council.

POST SCHOOL EDUCATION



BARONESS BLACKSTONE Left the Labour Party in the late 1960s over immigration, but served in the Downing Street

policy unit in the Callaghan era. After a stint with the Inner London Education Authority and ten years heading Birkbeck College, London, her brief combines higher education and employment. Aged 54, a heavy workload includes plicting legislation through the Lords.

Best known for taking on Arthur Scargill in the miners union, the 50-year-old son of a Communist lony driver was a leader of student protests in 1968. Then an art student, a varied career has included a PhD at Warwick University. Joined Labour only in 1981, but is now charged with making lifelong learning a reality.

#### EMPLOYMENT

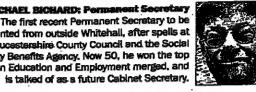
Missed out on a Cabinet post after shadowing the Transport Secretary in Opposition. His consolation, as the senior minister responsi-ble for employment, has been a leading role in the Welfare to Work programme. Now 46, he has been a student, then full-time councillor and, for the last ten years, MP in Oxford.



**ALAN HOWARTH** 

The Junior Employment Minister is back in the office he had as Higher Education Minister for the Torles. Then in the hard-line No Turning Back group, his conversion to new Labour was a pre-election sensation. Aged 53, the Cambridge graduate taught briefly before working at Conservative Central Office.

MICHAEL BICHARD: Permanent Secretary The first recent Permanent Secretary to be appointed from outside Whitehall, after spells at Gloucestershire County Council and the Social Security Benefits Agency. Now 50, he won the top job when Education and Employment merged, and



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CONOR RYANE

Special adviser The 33-year-old Dubliner was Mr Blunkett's right-hand man in Opposition, spending almost four years as his researcher on health and later education. Wes a press officer for the Inner ondon Education Authority.

#### HILARY BENNE Special advisor

Former head of communications and policy at the whitecollar union MSF but now new Labour, Tony Benn's son is a strategic thinker. He used to be deputy leader of Ealing Councils education committee.

## The In-Tray: Education

Awkward Issues to be faced in next month's White Paper include the abolition of grant-maintained status and the fate of the remaining more positive" inspection system

● The Dearing Report, due later in July, requires long term decisions on the university system, but the question of student fees is a genuine political hot potato. Labour said in

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 What to do with 18 falling schools given until September to Improve. Action to follow on unsatisfactory local authorities.

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Reducing class sizes to 30 in the calibre entrants before serious first years of primary school without shortages appear. Talks are consigning children to schools their promised on the establishment is a continuous want. Transferring a General Teaching Council. ed places will not pay for

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> Meeting highly ambitious targets for primary schools, with the proport tor of 11 year olds reaching the expected standard in English up from 57 per cent to 80 per cent within five years. All achools will ment targets soon.

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provision, and link daycare with nurseries.

Creating a broader stath-form curriculum, having postponed
 planned clanges to A and AS levels improved vocational qualifications to be brought into single.

Forging an unificity partnership between Chris Woodhead (Chief Inspector of Schools and darling of the Right) and Tim Brighouse (Chief Education Officer of Birmingham and teacher's here) to make a success of Mr Blunkett's school improvement taskforce.

## The In-Tray: Employment

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Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, will announce the Budget. The New Deal obs programmes will alm to get 250,000 young people, and an unspecified number of the long-term unemployed, off benefit and into work by means of lab subsidies for employers.

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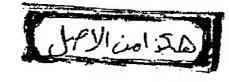
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## Bootleg cigarettes fear as US tries to curb nicotine

From Ian Brodie in Washington

FEARS that America might become a country of bootleg cigarettes emerged yesterday as the smoke cleared over an unprecedented deal to regulate tobacco.

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The agreement would give the Food and Drug Administration authority to reduce nicotine levels in cigarettes in 12 years. But on studying the fine print of the 70-page document, critics discovered that the FDA would need to meet challenging criteria.

It would have to prove that diluting nicotine would lead to tangible health improvements. Even more difficult, the agency must show that the change would not lead to a huge black market of fullstrength, high-nicotine ciga-rettes being smuggled into the

That would seem an impossible pledge to give in a country of vast borders that failed to halt the flow of illicit alcohol during Prohibition and is today awash with illegal drugs.

The attempt to impose stringent limits on the FDA aroused the ire of two powerful opponents of the tobacco industry, David Kessler, former head of the FDA, and C. Everett Koop, former US Surgeon-General.

Their reactions could spell trouble for the pact. They are co-chairmen of a panel of health experts who will advise Congress, which must ap-

prove the settlement before it tacked by Mr Koop as "paltakes effect, and President Clinton, who must sign it.

At issue is the agreement tobacco companies reached last Friday with the attorneysgeneral of 40 states to curtail cigarette marketing, particularly to teenagers, and to pay compensation and other health costs totalling \$368 billion (£230 billion) over 25 years, in exchange for a curb

in lawsuits.

came before Congress.

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doubt, Mr Clinton awaits the

outcome of opinion polls. They

could show the deal has broad

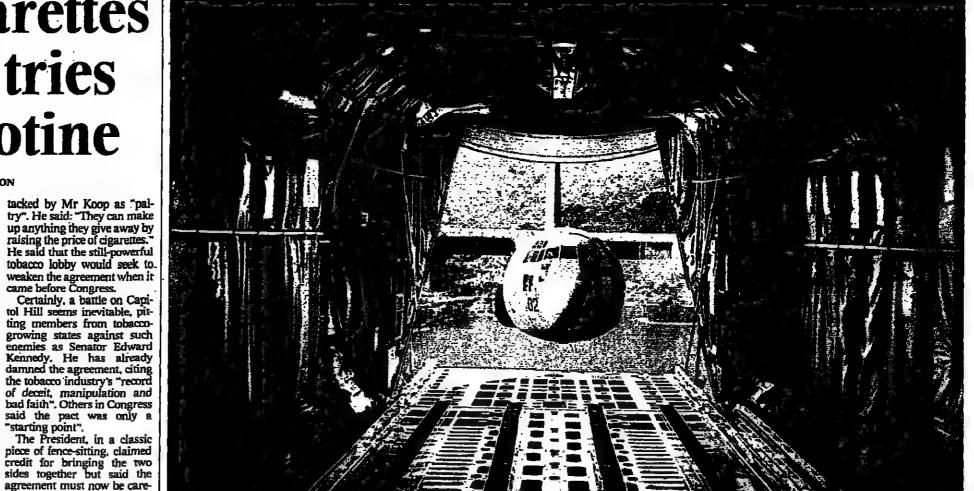
popular appeal.

Dr Kessler, while welcoming much in the agreement, said that shackling the FDA's authority to control nicotine levels would reverse a hardwon court victory last April giving the agency authority to treat cigarettes as a drug. He said any watering down of that jurisdiction would be a retreat. Mr Koop called it a "very serious flaw" in the

The tobacco industry's concerns over reducing nicotine are well-founded. Ten years ago. Philip Morris, makers of Marlboro, test-marketed nicotine-free cigarette called DeNic. Smokers complained that it had no more kick than puffing on tea leaves.

Another problem with reducing nicotine, according to advocates both for and against tobacco, is that teenagers will go in search of full-strength brands just to show their defiance.

The big tobacco companies' offer of \$368 billion was at-



A Royal New Zealand Air Force C130 Hercules tailgates a sister plane over Queenstown in a demonstration of precision flying by the Auckland 40 Squadron. The aircraft were never closer than 50 yards and there was no danger of collision, organisers of the exercise said

## Cambodia general sees ailing Pol Pot

IN PRINOM PENM

POL POT, one of the most brutal dictators of the 20th century, was seen by a top Cambodian general yesterday. It was the first time in 17 years that anyone from the outside had seen the man responsible for the genocide of more than a million Cambod-

General Ninek Bun Chna a senior defence official, said last night after returning to the capital from a visit to the Khmer Rouge jungle head-quarters at Among Veng in northeast Cambodia: "I met

Pol Pot this morning." He said he was fold by a breakaway Khmer Rouge fac-tion holding the leader that Pol Pot would be handed over to the Government "very soon". Observers said this could pave the way for one of the trials of the century, ranking alongside those of Nazi

leaders at Nuremberg. But General Nhiek Bun Chhay said Pol Pot was "in poor health". The general said he saw him sitting inside a house where he was being

It is the first time that Pol Pot, 69, has been seen by outsiders since being filmed in 1980 by a Japanese television



Nhiek Bun Chhay: his sighting was questioned

reporter. Yesterday, the general said he had not taken a photograph of Pol Pot. . . .

Sceptics, however, remained unconvinced since General Nhiek Bun Chhay's report comes amid recent conflicting reports that Pol Pot had died. They noted that he had been wrong in the past in claiming that Christopher Howes, the British mine-clearance expert, had escaped from his Khmer Rouge captors. Others, however, said it was unlikely that the general, a confidant of Prince Norodom Ranariddh, Cambodia's First Co-Prime Minister, could be so wrong this time.

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## **Quebec bars English** from business cards

By Tunku Varadarajan

QUEBEC'S "language pol-ice" have moved to outlaw the use of English language business cards in the francophone Canadian province.

The Office de la Langue Française (OLF) has announced that Article 52 of the French Language Charter, which states that "catalogues, brochures, flyers, commercial directories and all other publications of a similar nature must be written in French", also applies to business cards.

Henceforth, a hypothetical John Smith, Attorney" must style himself "John Smith, Avocat", or face hefty fines. The matter came to a head last week with the prosecution for "language violations" of Dave Amsel, the owner of a video game store in St Laurent. Mr Amsel's offence was to give his address on his to patrol the Internet.

business cards as "Decarie Boulevard" - deemed to be English - and not as "Boulevard Decarie", which would be the correct French word-

Internet to ensure that no advertise in English. Louise Beaudoin, the prov-

The OLF has also announced that it will patrol the

said the office had "full authority" to ensure that web sites complied with Quebec's language laws.

Last week, Morty Grauer, the owner of a computer store, received an ultimatum from the OLF ordering him to cease the use of English on his "home page". Lawyers said yesterday that it was unlikely that the OLF had jurisdiction

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## World leaders vow to defend Hong Kong rights

FROM PHILIP WEBSTER IN DENVI

BRITAIN secured yesterday a firm commitment from world leaders to keep China to its past promises to uphold democracy and the rule of law in Hong Kong.

In a surprisingly strong declara-tion backed by President Yeltsin, the Summit of the Eight gathering here demanded democratic elections in Hong Kong for a new

CHINA

added that it "welcomed" and placed weight on China's commitments in the 1984 Joint Declaration to ensure Hong Kong's continued stability and prosperity, preserving its way of life, its fundamental freedoms and the rule of law.

The summit communique said: These will provide the essential

promises to observe fundamental numan and political rights. Tony Blair and Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, who made the declaration one of their priorities at the summit, were pleased to have won such firm strictures.

Mr Cook said yesterday: This is the last weekend before the transfer of sovereignty in Hong Kong. Britain is making it perfectly clear that underpinning for Hong Kong's our connection with Hong Kong future economic success." It also does not end on June 30. We have

fulfil the commitments it has entered into to permit the continuing prosperity and freedoms for the people of Hong Kong. The American Government has been first class on this and given us every support we could have hoped

Mr Cook, however, refused to talk about the consequences if China did not abide by the bargain.

from China to engage in the business of threats of what would happen if things went wrong. "We do not want to talk about sanctions if it goes wrong. We want to stop it = opinion. :-

from going wrong."
He added that Britain would be monitoring closely what happened after June 30, confirming that the Government would report to Parliament every six months on the Asked whether there would be state of human rights, civil liberties Mr Blair said that China was now aware that if it did not keep to the terms of the Joint Declaration it faced the condemnation of world

He-said if the Chinese failed to keep to international obligations Britain would have to look at ways of mobilising international opinion to ensure that they did. "But let us wait and see if that actually ...happens or not."

RICK WILKING / REUTE

got very good, tough language in sanctions, he said it would not help stand deniocrately in Hong Kong. In the final communique, China must to secure the co-operation needed an interview with ARC vectorial responsibility to Hong Kong and responsibility to Hong Kong and the best way to discharge it is to keep China to the Joint Declaration and make sure we build interna-

tional support to do that". .It was also important to ensure that Britain had a stable and good relationship with China. Because, in the end that is the best prospect for people in Hong Kong of a safe

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REFLECTING increasing

frustration at the stalemate

in Bosnia and anger with

the obdurate leadership of

the three ethnic groups,

the Eight warned the Mus-

lims, Croats and Serbs that

unless they did more to carry out their Dayton

commitments, they would

said that there must be

justice in Bosnia if peace

was to endure. Indicted

war criminals must be sur-

rendered to the international tribunal for trial.

and all parties in the region, including Serbia

and Croatis, were obliged to co-operate. Unless they

did so, the summit leaders said, they would be denied international assistance as

well as integration in re-

gional institutions.

summit

be penalised.

## 'G8' warns Iran over terrorism and pledges Africa aid reforms

BRITISH officials expressed deep satisfaction with the summit's final communiqué, which warned China that the Hong Kong, called on fran to launched a new initiative to help Africa, and moved to-wards a global agreement to anti-personnel land-

Covering most of the world's trouble spots and written in language more forthright than usual, the communique detailed the progress made since the last summit at Lyons on the traditional issues of crime, drugs, terrorism and United Nations reform, while introducing new issues of importance to certain

TONY BLAIR'S first experi-

ence of a "G8" summit has convinced him of the need to

change it (Philip Webster

writes). The Prime Minister,

feted in Denver because of

his landslide election victory

and his obviously warm

relationship with President Clinton, has told summit

colleagues the annual world

gathering should concen-

trate on fewer subjects and

return to its old informality.

next year's meeting in

Birmingham, has already

decided that it should focus

mainly on two issues: jobs

and organised crime, in-

cluding efforts to tackle the

Mr Blair, who will host

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President Clinton's new foreign policy activism was re-flected in a call for reform in Africa: Japan's concern about its ageing population yielded a promise for detailed studies of pensions, healthcare schemes and life-long learning.

On regional issues, the summit was outspoken in calling on China to respect commitments made in the 1984 Joint Declaration with Britain on Hong Kong. Leaders "placed weight" on the commitments, noting that they gave Hong Kong a high degree of autonomy and guarand the rule of law, essential for Hong Kong's economic

Mr Blair has been explaining his reasons for not attend-

afraid of being accused of

trying to teach more experi-

enced leaders new tricks,

has told them he wants to

end the practice of "commu-

niqué-itis", and believes too

many things are discussed

- so that many are not dealt

with properly.

Mr Blair's hopes of a change may be greeted with scepticism. The apparatus

surrounding the gatherings

is massive, and the vested interest in keeping them as

they are great.
Nevertheless, he has

promised that he will try at

Birmingham to get his

summit colleagues away

Blair forum formula

rise of the Russian mafia. from the limelight so that

President Yeltsin has told they can have informal dis-

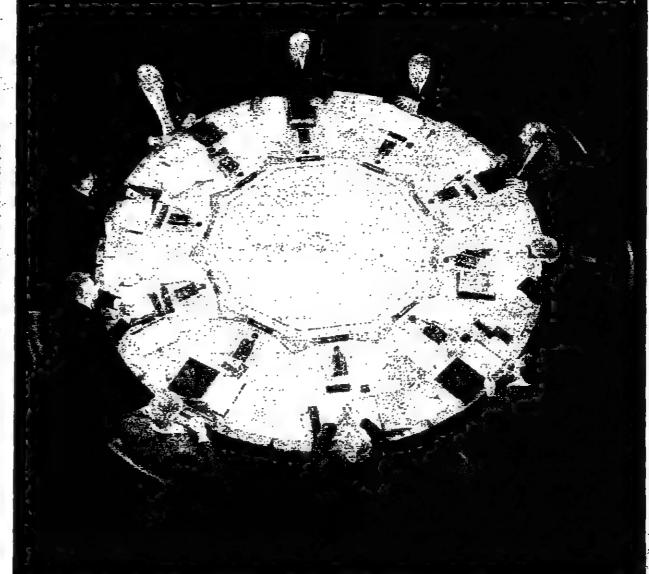
cil after the handover, hoping But British officials insisted there had been no direct lobbying, nor was the Government expecting a uniform Western line.

However, the communiqué pointedly said that the leaders - including President Yeltsin - "look forward to democratic elections in Hong Kong for a new legislature as soon as

On the Democratic Republic of Congo — formerly Zaire — they spoke of the need for an elected government, respect for human rights, and the urgency with which Laurent Kabila, the new President, must address humanitarian needs. They warned him that ingness to help to rebuild the country would depend on his commitment to reform, sound economic policies, public accountability and respect for human rights, including those of the refugees.

They also spoke of their deep concern over the situation in neighbouring Congo

On African reform, the Eight said they wanted to help countries to integrate into the world economy. They noted, approvingly, democratic progress: since 1990, more than 20 countries had held fair elections. Several had improved the rule of law, avoided excessive military spending and strengthened civil society. "We will support African efforts to promote democracy and good governance, improve the integrity of public institutions, enhance the transparency of government spending and develop national anti-bribery



Leaders of the "G8" at the Denver summit. The two extra places are taken by the EU and EC Presidents

Clinton, their message to African leaders was that trade, rather than aid, should be the route to growth and prosperi-

They promised to deepen the dialogue with Africa, pro-mote deployable African peacekeeping capacities and encourage UN development work in the continent.

The focus also fell on the Middle East. The leaders said the peace process faced a crisis and they were determined to re-inject momentum into it. But, taking the cue from Mr There had to be "serious and

credible" negotiations between Israel and its Arab

neighbours: On Iran, the communique masked a long tussle between America and the European Union, which is resisting the D'Amato Act mandating sanctions against companies investing in the country's energy

The EU produced a list of tough measures it had en-forced against Iran, with officials arguing that they were enough to justify a blanket waiver from the Act.

But they also voiced suspicion that America's real concern was to prevent EU companies from taking advantage of the US sanctions, so that US oil companies could benefit when. normal relations were re-

established. The communique noted with interest" the recent election in fran of a new president. but called on Tehran to desist urged respect for the human rights of Iranian citizens; the

renunciation of terrorism and an ending of support for the threat to the life of Salman Rushdie.

The Eight also called on Burnia to stop harassing Armg San Suu Kyi, urged all facilities in Alghanistan to swip fighting and form a broadbased government, supported efforts to restore - order in Albania and create a sound from supporting extremist financial system, and ap-groups trying to wreck the pealed to Cambodian leaders: Middle East peace process. It to hold free and fair elections. Use the first respect for the human rights of Iranian citizens; the their efforts to fight Aids.

Bosnia was the main foreign issue discussed at Denver and one which all recognised was likely to worsen. President Clinton is anxious to withdraw American troops on time next year but the Europe ans have been warning him that, unless peace is properly secured before-hand, that could lead to renewed war. British officials said they did not think the White House had yet closed its mind to appeals for a continued

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American troop presence if

Tony Blair underlined yesterday the urgency of making the Dayton agreement work so that there was a prospect of a lasting settlement.

Speaking on American television, he played down suggestions of a rift between Europe and America over the withdrawal of allied troops from Bosnia, saying that it was a joint responsibility of both Europe and America.

Praising President Clinton's "tremendous courage and good leadership", he said the Americans have behaved in a way that was very responsible. But he added that if allied troops withdrew and simply left people to fight again. "it

would be a disaster". Mr Blair emphasised that it was important that those who committed war crimes were brought to justice. To suggestions that snatch squads should go in and seize those indicted, he said there were ques-tions of feasibility. "And it's important to look at

those as well."
The Eight roundly blamed Bosnian officials. from all three groups, for deliberately blocking key aspects of reconstruction and delaying international assistance. The authori-ties must uphold fully the right of refugees and displaced persons to return to their homes in a peaceful and orderly manner."

## Cautious summiteers almost get into the Wild West spirit

Boris Yeltsin did not. The world's most powerful leaders did not parade in cowboy hats and jeans, even though the White House had solemnly taken down head and waist measurements months ago. Nor did President Clinton leap on stage and play the saxophone along with Kool and the Gang's Celebra-tion. as Denver's local television station had excitedly forecast.

But if the Saturday night gala which ended the summit's formal proceedings was more laid back than heralded by the rumours sweeping Denver. It contained enough exuberant American innocence to satisfy even Mr Clinton's taste for sentimentality.

After the 90-minute show, Mr Clinton invited Tony Blair backstage to meet Chuck Berry. One aide described the President as being "all over" the Prime Minister during the weekend, which has clearly breathed even more life into the once-flagging special relationship than did Mr Clinton's recent trip to Britain.

The gala followed three days of heavily themed hospitality. The Den-ver Public Library, site of the main talks on Saturday, had been newly kitted out in leather chairs and sofas of the "urban ranch" style which is the signature of Denver's moneyedbut-relaxed lifestyle. Despite the \$32,000 (£20,000) which Denver has

leaders were one short. Tony Blair. who gave his to Mr Yeltsin, was then forced to hover awkwardly, "like the loser in a game of musical chairs" according to the local newspaper, until aides rustled up a distinctly smaller chair.

After the Saturday night feast of buffalo, rattlesnake and quail, at a table covered with homely prints of palamino horses, the leaders made their way to the National Western Events Centre, normally home to Denver's cattle shows and rodeos. Mr Clinton had encouraged cowboystyle casual dress; as he emerged on

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the stage in blue cotton shirt and leather bootlace tie, it was clear, like any host of a fancy dress party, that he had picked a theme which posed no strain on his own wardrobe or

Others were less successful, splieing a checked shirt or an Apachestyle waistcoat on to their normal diplomatic garb. Japan's Ryutaro Hashimoto, to applause, hitched up a neatly-pressed trouser leg to show off cowboy boots. Mr Blair was the only one to wear jeans, and was probably the only one who could have done so. Cherie Blair, even

more wisely, opted out of the theme with an elegant, scooped-neck black

evening gown.
Gospel singers, tap dancers and Eartha Kitt led up to the climax of Chuck Berry playing Johnny B Goode, and then to a 300-strong finale. A stocky young woman in a blue Stetson bade the leaders of the industrial world goodnight, saying that of all the instruments on which they could play "the most sensitive is the world itself".

Mr Yeltsin, who proved hugely popular with Denver crowds, which chanted "Bore-iss" whenever he appeared, missed the gala on doctor's orders. They were concerned about his fatigue in the thin oxygen of the "Mile-High City", coming so soon after major heart surgery.

For all the Western Iriendliness,

world leaders may now be relieved to leave the relentless scrutiny of Denver's public and local media, who dubbed the summit "a once-in-a-lifetime chance to see world leaders in the flesh". No action was too small to be recorded; the German Ambassador to Washington was spotted buying a \$140 pair of black brogues, while Mrs Yeltsin was observed paying \$400 for a buffalo leather handbag, the shop owner said she was "very interested in anything to do with buffalo".

**BRONWEN MADDOX** 



Cherie Blair opts for elegance at the gala that

## Pact to cut red tape will bolster trade

FROM BRONWEN MADDOX IN DENVER

AN UPBEAT statement which praised the United States and Britain for turning round their economies dominated the economic communiqué, sounding the note of American triumphalism that has been heard throughout the summit.

A "massive" deal to cut red tape between the United States and the European Union, which would permit high-technology products to be traded across the Atlantic without having to undergo new testing, was one of the most important specific agreements. "This is one of the biggest advances for several years." Sir Leon Brittan, the EU Commissioner for External Affairs, said as the "mutual recognition agreements"

were signed.

Global trade and the progress of developing countries were credited in the final statement by the seven industrial countries for the improvement in the world economy since the previous year's summit in Lyons. Russia. which was excluded from the economic section of the summit, was financial help if it made progress in tackling corruption and encouraging

Those tributes aside, the joint statement from the finance ministers carried a finger-wayging tone. While

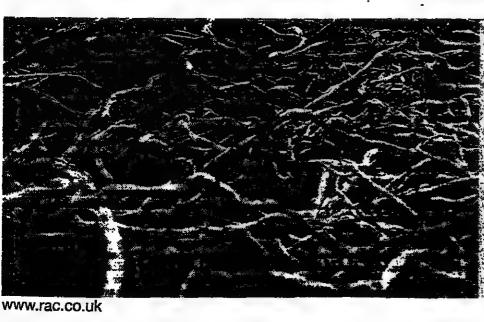
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praising the United States and Brit-ain for achieving high growth and low inflation, the statement said that both governments needed to be "vigilant" against a return of infla-tion, and both needed to curb government spending. Japan was told to get its house in

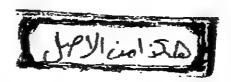
order urgently, and to seek a recovery based more on domestic demand and less on exports. The United States, which extracted a commitment to deregulation from Japan on the eveof the summit, wants it to open its markets to promote competition

Germany, France and Italy re-ceived a warning that they needed to reduce barriers to job creation by overhauling their tax and benefits systems, and to cut government waste, Yves Thibault de Silguy, of the EU delegation, said that while the EU welcomed the strong performance of the American economy, there was "no reason for triumphalism". Europe, with more rigid labour markets, "started from a

under Japan's prompting, the mere of ageing populations re-curred through all economic sessions. M de Silguy noted that in the EU the ratio of working people to retired was one to four, but would reach one to two by 2040.



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Binyamin Netanyahu, the

right-wing Prime Minister

This time Mr Netanyahu's

12-seat majority in the Knesset

looks less secure because of

disaffection both in his ruling coalition and his own Likud

party over last week's resigna-

tion of Dan Meridor, the pop-

ular Finance Minister. In a

sign of further discontent, a

Likud Cabinet minister quit

on Saturday from her job as co-ordinator between the Gov-

ernment and parliament.

Socialist choice

Madrid: Spain's opposition

Socialists, still reeling from

the decision by Felipe Gonza-

lez, the former Prime Minis-

ter, to stand down, chose Joaquin Almunia, 49, the par-

liamentary spokesman, to re-place him (Giles Tremlett writes). The decision followed

acrimonious bargaining. Se-

nor Gonzalez, 55, threw the

party conference into disarray

on Friday by standing down

after 23 years as leader.

(Christopher Walker writes).

## UN appeals for action to avert wars over water

By NICK NUTTALL, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

WARS over the world's dwindling water resources are likerigent action is lakely improve conservation technologies in developing countries, the Earth Bosnian ogies in developing countries, leaders attending the Earth Summit II in New York are chieftains being warned.

Up to 800 rivers, including the Amazon. Euphrates and Danube, could increasingly become the focus of international disputes as countries along their lengths pump out more water to irrigate crops. and supply growing indus-tries and rising, thirsty pop-

to end

Stalemate

Felix Dodds, director of the United Nations environment and development committee UK, suggested yesterday that programmes for water conservation needed to be allied with binding regional agreements between nations to share a river's resources fairly.

\*Unless we do this, we may well see wars over water. This could be the beginning of the resource wars that have been predicted," he said.

Regional agreements would try to ensure that irrigation, forestry, housing and other development projects up-stream do not damage flows and the quality of water for nations downstream.

The looming crisis will be presented to the 70 leaders, including Tony Blair, who have arrived in America for the UN's special General Assembly, marking the fifth anniversary of the Earth

Summit at Rio de Janeiro in Brazil.

In its report, Comprehensive Assessment of Freshwater Resources of the World, the UN says some once mighty rivers are running dry as they flow from their headwaters to the sea, "Many major rivers, such as the Colorado in the United States and ones flowing into the Aral Sea, are decreasing in volume as they

flow downstream," it says. The study calculates that the planet recycles about 14 mil-

6 In 1995 one in five of the world population did not have access to safe drinking water 9

lion metric tonnes of fresh water which is available for human consumption. But water use is growing at more than twice the rate of population

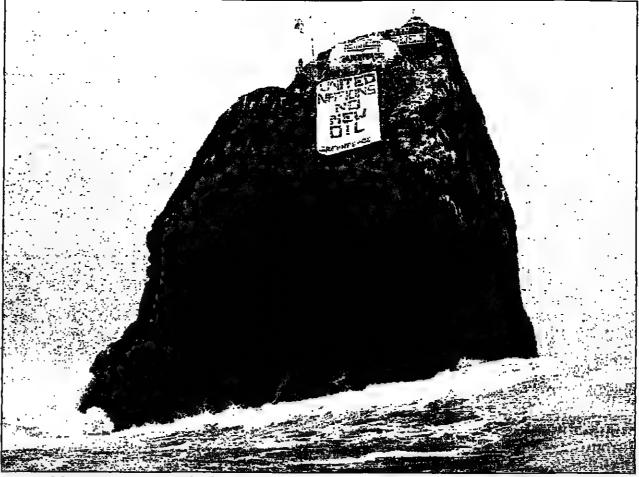
"The capacity of the hydrological cycle to supply water is being outstripped by the volume of human demands, pollution of water resources and poor management," the report says. By 2025 two thirds of countries in low income areas. such as Africa, Asia and Latin

ate to severe water stress". Tackling the freshwater crisis will also improve the fortunes of wildlife and help to tackle human diseases. In 1995 20 per cent of the world population did not have access to safe drinking water and 50 per cent lacked water for proper sanitation. At any given time half of the world's poor suffer from sickness linked with unclean

The report notes that, when compared with some global environmental issues, the freshwater crisis can be more readily solved given moderate financial and political will. irrigation of crops accounts for 90 per cent of the world's use of fresh water. But better techniques such as drip irrigation, if exported to the developing world, could reduce water use by 25 to 90 per cent. Britain believes there are

opportunities for British water companies to assist in tackling the threat in the developing world. New ways of pricing water need to be addressed so there is less incentive for industry to pollute. In some arid countries farming needs to be significantly curtailed to conserve supplies. International compensation packages, whereby food from water-rich regions is sold cheaply to these dry areas,

need to be drawn up. Scores of global environmental issues, from how to tackle climate change to saving tropical forests, are likely



Activists on Rockall in the Atlantic with a message for Earth Summit II, protesting against oil exploration

## Germans press for global agency

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

GERMANY will today propose the creation of a new World Environment Organisation amid suspicions that the move is a ruse to fill empty office space in Bonn.

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Helmut Kohl, the German Chancellor, is expected to launch the proposal at the United Nations environment meeting. The Germans want the super agency to oversee the disparate environmental functions of the United Nations system, including the UN Environment Programme

(UNEP), the Commission on Sustainable Development. and the secretariats of the Rio Earth Summit conventions on climate, bio-diversity and desertification. German officials compare

the proposed eco-agency to the World Health Organisation or the recently established World Trade Organisation. The proposal will be pre-

sented as part of a joint initiative with Brazil, Singa-pore and South Africa, and is supported by powerful UN

Some diplomats even sus-pect an attempt by Germany to fill up office space in Bonn

figures such as Gus Speth, head of the UN Development Programme, and Maurice Strong, former chairman of the Rio summit.

But many of the 60 world leaders attending this week's United Nations General Assembly session are sceptical about the need for a new agency that would add to the organisation's unwieldy bureaucracy. Some diplomats even sus-

that will be left empty when the German Government completes its move to Berlin.

Western nations have been pushing hard to reform the troubled UNEP, based in Nairobi; it is one of only two UN agencies based in Africa. Britain. Spain and the United States suspended their payments to the organisation this year to force changes. In response, UNEP has set up a new supervisory committee comprised of 32 environment

Bangui battles

Bangui: The death toll in fighting between disaffected soldiers and peacekeepers in Bangui, the capital of the Central African Republic, which began on Friday, has risen to 23, the Central African Red Cross said. About 70 people have been wounded, including five French citizens, who were hit on Saturday by two mortar bombs that fell on the French embassy compound. (Reuter)

#### Union boss dies

Mexico City: Fidel Velázquez, Mexico's veteran labour leader who for more than 50 years led the country's trade union movement in unswerving loyalty to a string of presidents, has died aged 97. Velazquez, head of the six million-strong Mexican Workers Confederation (CTM), had swung the CTM's support behind the Revolutionary

## Return of El Niño heralds worst winter floods and storms for 14 years



Satellite images showing the birth of this year's El Niño, spreading across the globe

FROM GILES WHITTELL **TN LOS ANGELES** 

NEXT winter's storms could be the worst in recent memory for much of western America, thanks to the return of the socalled El Niño effect from the central Pacific, a government meteorologist has

Coastal flooding, blizzards and hundreds of stranded sea-lions are among effects linked to a periodic warming of surface waters thousands of miles off California. The phenomenon is known

ber. This year's El Niño could be the worst since wild storms and extreme high tides wrought havor on the West Coast and caused an estimated \$8 billion (£4.8 billion) worth of damage worldwide during the winter of 1982-83, according to Ants Leetman, head of the US Climate Prediction Centre in Washington. Nearly 1,500 deaths were also blamed on El Niño-related weather that winter.

Abnormal warming on the surface of the central Pacific generates huge volumes of warm, moist air that disrupt the normal flow of the jet stream, scientists believe. A theory that undersea volcanoes

but research suggests that man-made global warming caused by the build-up of "greenhouse gases" may be worsening the El Niño effect. Nasa satellites recently measured tem-

peratures 2C (35.6F) above normal in the central Pacific and 4C above normal in coastal waters off North and South America, prompting Mr Leetman's grim forecast. Early signs point to one of the most pronounced El Niño effects of the past 60 years, he said. But not everyone is complaining. Delighted sea anglers have found albacore tuna in record numbers American coastal waters, brought

because it comes, like Jesus, in Decem- fuel the warming has been discredited, there by the unusually warm conditions. | Party since 1941. (Reuter)

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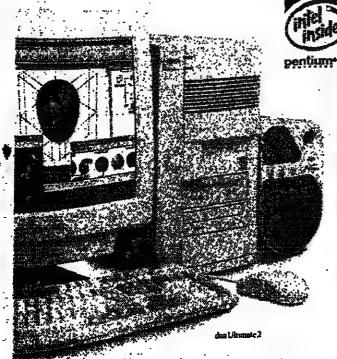
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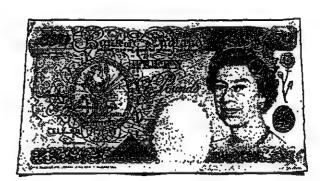


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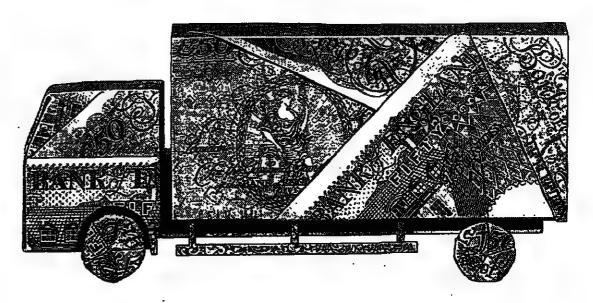
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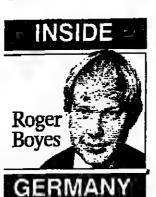
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## Kohl followers manoeuvre as Icarus with excess baggage soars on

nxious dinner chatter in Bonn salons is focusing again on the health of Helmut Kohl. The euro is so finely balanced that a sudden withdrawal of the Chancellor, on medical advice, would surely wreck the project. And so it is that diplomats returning from the front line in Amsterdam are listened to carefully when the talk turns to the leader's heavy, open-mouthed breath-ing and occasional un-

These reports, it must be said, stem from delegations led by statesmen who have had little personal contact with the Chancellor. He has



always puffed a bit. The key is to study his schedule over

Last Monday he arrived at

the Amstel Hotel at lam. By

he was being briefed by Klaus Kinkel, the Foreign Minister, and by 9.30am, the summit had begun.

Between midnight on

Monday and 1.30am on Tuesday he was briefing German journalists. The summit resumed at 9.30am and lasted until 3.50am on Wednesday. At 4am, shortly before dawn, he briefed journalists. At 5am he flew to Bonn, showered, changed his shirt and was at his desk at 7am.

An hour later he chaired talks between the arguing members of the government coalition, and at Ilam he ran Cabinet session.

phone calls, and by eight that evening, was on the plane to Chicago to address the Council on Foreign Relations and

then on to Denver. Not bad for a 67-year-old with more than 14 years in power. Not bad for anybody. The real problem seems not to be his personal health or stamina, but the state of the "Kohl system" — his ruling

ver the years, he has concentrated decision -making within a narrow circle. This has worked to some degree. It has allowed

6am he was awake, at 8.30am Throughout Wednesday he him to concentrate power, distracted leader. Critics, from newspapers; anyone he was being briefed by received guests and made remove any trace of contro- even in his Christian Demo- who knows German newspaversy from Cabinet sessions, and to act quickly during the hectic days of German unification.

But at a time of multiple crises - domestic and European, logiams on tax, pensions and health reforms the ruling technique breaks down, and the Chancellor seems seriously out of touch. The most effective Social Democratic poster for months has just appeared: The Chancellor's thoughts on the economy," says the slogan. Underneath there are a few childlike stick charac-

ters - the doodlings of a

cratic Party. say the Government's reforms are being worked out by a closed circle of no more than six people. Nobody else seems to get a

be actively negotiating Germany's future: the Christian Wolfgang Democrat Schäuble, the Free Democrat Hans Otto Solms, and the Bavarian Michael Glos. Occasionally they phone Herr Kohl and keep him up to date sparing him the details. Many people feel out of the loop. Ministers say they are picking up their information

pers will recognise this as a plea of desperation. It has been a similar story in European policy; the Chancellor's reliance on his foreign policy adviser Joachim Bitterlich. Actually, only three seem to and a small circle of in-house experts, is cutting him off.

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mass of problems which have

'err Kohl's daim was always that he fo-cused on the "vision thing" - and winning elecfions - while others sorted out the fiddly details. But the vision has evaporated and there really is

smallest components in order to be solved. The Chancellor hovers in space, an Icarus with excessive baggage. The capsule world of the Chancellor makes it feasible, for the first time, for senior figures to position themselves for the post-Kohl era: kind of euro starting punctu-

The odds are still on some ally, and on the Government coming up with a makeshift modernisation package. They are, however, increasingly against Herr Kohl's long term political survival. Too

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## Russian minister of justice resigns over sex scandal

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S Justice Minister was forced to step down at the weekend after the press published photographs of him cavorting with naked women at a private sauna frequented

by the country's mafia. In the first sex scandal case of its kind in Russian history. Valentin Kovalyov, a toughtalking former Communist, said that he had written to President Yeltsin asking to be relieved of his office and vowing to clear his name.

"I have asked the President to suspend me from my duties as a minister until the circumstances [of the scandal] have been clarified." Mr Kovalyov said in a statement, after he was called home early from an official visit to Sweden. "I am not aware of anything that I should be ashamed of.

In spite of his denials and claims that the videotape, purportedly showing him irolicking in a hot tub two years ago, was a fake, his statement did not sound very convincing. and insiders doubted that he would ever resume his influ-

The controversy erupted last week when the monthly tabloid Sovershenno Secreto (Top Secret). published grainy black and white photographs. taken by a hidden camera.

which identified the minister. The ensuing scandal was extraordinary by Russian standards, not because the country's politicians are so virtuous, but rather that it is widely accepted that corruption and debauchery are com-

monplace among the political The Duma, the lower house of parliament, is notorious for its after-hours sex sessions in the sauna, and one deputy openly boasts of having three wives. Vladimir Zhirinovsky, the ultra-nationalist leader, has often boasted about his sexual prowess and his infidel-



Kovalyov: vowed to clear his name

ity to his wife, a tactic which appears to have strengthened his popularity.

For Mr Kovalyov, a strict disciplinarian and member of the powerful Presidential Security Council, the sexual allegations in themselves would probably not have been enough to bring him down. However, the strong hints of his connections to the maña were enough to seal his fate. particularly because of the Kremlin's current campaign against corruption.

According to the newspaper, the sauna was frequented by the Sointsevo malia, one of the most powerful criminal syndicates in Moscow, whose leader, Sergei 'Mikhas" Mikhailov, is in a Swiss jail.

The film was apparently discovered in the safe of a banker, Arkadi Angelevich, who was detained in April suspected of embezzling more than £4 million.

The prudent banker planned, if necessary, to exchange the compromising material for something more valuable than money — his freedom," said the paper. The scandal is bound to send shockwaves through the Russian political establishment, once immune to Western-style scandals.

## Aga Khan daughter marries **Briton**

BY SUMAN BELL

PRINCESS ZAHRA, the only daughter of the Aga Khan, has married Mark Boyden, a farmer's son from Dorset, in a civil ceremony attended by European royalty and dignitaries from four continents.

The couple were married on Saturday at Aiglemont, the Aga Khan's mansion near Chantilly, 30 miles north of Paris, by the Mayor of Gouvieux, M Patrice Marchand. The wedding was blessed by Muslim leaders. A separate ceremony at the historic Chateau of Chantilly included recitations from the Koran and an Anglican blessing. Guests included King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia of Spain, Crown Prince El Hassan bin Talai of Jordan and the Empress Farah Pahlavi.

The Harvard-educated Princess Zahra. 26. met Mr Boyden, who is ten years her senior, three years ago through mutual friends in France. Mr Boyden is a former pupil of the now defunct Dartington Hall School in Devon. He studied business administration at Oxford Brookes University, where he specialised in business ethics and human rights, before becoming a management consultant.

The couple are expected to divide their time between Britain and France



## Princess Zahra and Mark Boyden at the Aga Khan's French home after the wedding

day from Barcelona Cathedral after two small bombs planted

during morning Mass.
The Anti-Clerical Republican Group claimed responsibility. There were no injuries.

**Hong Kong** 

Triads are

turning to

child's play

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY

IN HONG KONG

THE Triads. Hong Kong's

secret criminal societies, have

crawled into the Tamagotchi.

the colony's latest high-technology craze for children.

The original Tamagotchi is a harmless, if addictive, little

device made in Japan in which a child sees a haby, a dog, or a comic-book creature. It has to be fed and nurtured by pressing tiny buttons, or it will die. Schools have begun wondering if they must allow

cigarettes. In one pro-violence version, a meat cleaver is said

to be included in the care Government officials are

They said the group called

their headquarters to warn of the explosions 20 minutes before they were detonated. The police later deactivated a third bomb found in the cathedral.

By midday, worshippers had still not been allowed back

into the building, where Prin-cess Cristina, 31, the younger daughter of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, will marry Inaki Urdangarin, a member of Spain's national handball team, on October 4.

The couple met at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, where the Spanish handball team won a bronze medal. (AP)

many people, out of resent-ment or ambition, now have an interest in his failure. **Fourth** 

## suicide in child sex case

FROM SUSAN BELL IN PARIS

A FOURTH man has committed suicide after being investigated by French police in connection with last week's crackdown on child pornogra-phy as the country's revulsion at apparently widespread paedophilia began to be tinged with misgivings about an orgy

of public shaming. Gilbert Pic, 39, a teacher, leapt to his death from the Pont d'Aquitaine in Bordeaux on Saturday. On Friday he had been placed under investigation by a magistrate for allegedly taking pornographic photographs of minors.

The mounting death toll has triggered criticism of the in-

tense media coverage of the affair, leading commentators to say that France has gone too far in its public witch hunt of suspects, none of whom has yet been found guilty.

In an editorial entitled "To Die of Shame", Le Monde said that the suicides "raised fears that we have gone from one danger to another, from the era of silence to that Lof branding with a red hot iron". Henri Lederc, head of the League of Human Rights, said the raids were scandalous. 🕠

Three other men hanged themselves last week, including a 37-year-old, unemployed handicapped man in Givors, near Lyons, who killed himself on Friday. He had been detained by police but released for lack of evidence.

in Tulle, a 48-year-old bachclor, an unmarmed executive at an arms factory, who was inpossession of paedophile vid-eos, hanged himself on Tuesday after leaving a suicide note reading: "I can't take it."
Forgive me."

A postal inspector in his forties also hanged himself on Thursday after police had questioned him about pornography that was found in his home.

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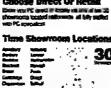
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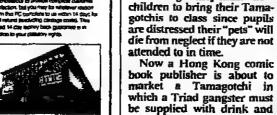
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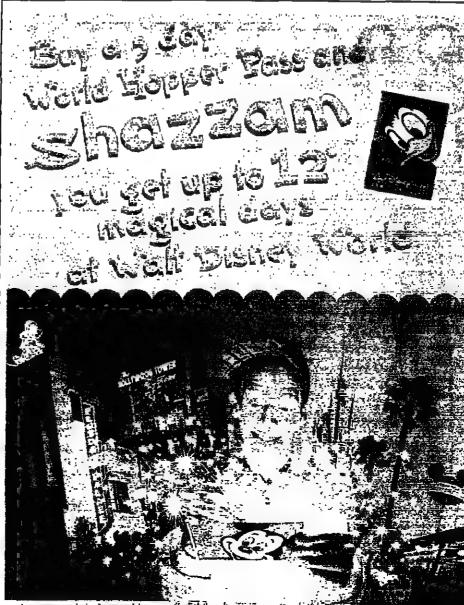
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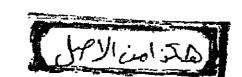
enraged. Young people are attracted to Triads, and are enlisted by the gangs to act as messengers, look-outs and drug carriers. One paper said the new toy represents "a symbiotic relationship between the owner and the Tamagotchi. and a symbiotic relationship can lead to sympathy with the virtual criminal. If the gangster-gadget is licensed for sale, it may not be sold to minors. But if the Triad-Tamagotchi proves to be a winner in Hong Kong, a counterfeit version will soon hit the streets so that anyone



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## Why do women scientists make men so afraid?

Anjana Ahuja interviews Pat Shipman, a prizewinning anthropologist who believes she may know the answer

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hen Pat Ship-man received her sil analysis, she the University of Chicago Press for consideration as a textbook. Her manuscript was returned, but for some reason she was never sent the reviewers' comments. It later transpired that one reviewer had declared her research so substandard that she must have slept with one of her superiors. Shipman responded to this

outrageous slur in the most dignified way possible --- by rising to become Adjunct Professor of An-'You learn thropology at Pennsylvania State University and gocustoms so several noted you don't books, most recently The Wisdom of co-written with her husband, Professor Alan

the £10,000 Rhône-Poulenc Science Book Prize for five years. It allowed his Incidentally, the rejected

manuscript, Life History of a Harvard University Press and, 16 years after its first print run, is still selling well. Shipman's experiences in a predominantly male environto assess the consequences of women "invading" science, which she is planning to make the subject of her seventh book. Most of her previous books have focused on the science of fossils and human evolution, but she has trod controversial ground before in The Evolution of Racism, a brave and much-admired attempt at ignoring political correctness to explain the

evoultion of different races. We met at the Science Museum in London, on the day of the Rhone-Poulenc dinner. The couple, who fell in love over a hominid fossil skull in Kenya 23 years ago, looked more suited to an expedition in Africa than a rendezvous in wet and chilly London - Shipman, 48, wore a floral skirt and sandals, and Professor Walker, a bear of a man, was encased in a bright blue linen jacket.

The couple say they thought of suing the reviewer but, says Professor Walker, decided that we were not those kind of

"What would be the point?" Shipman shrugs. "In the end, it only

destroys you." In 1990, Shipman abandoned her scientific career to concentrate on writing. Her husband had just won a "Genius" award from the MacAr-Foundation for eminence in his field, which guaranteed an annual

income of \$60,000 wife the freedom to leave her job. "I really felt I had to write about women moving into science." explains Shipman, "as it's such an important

Ciever women, especially those who want to rise through the ranks of the always come up against opposition from their male colleagues. However, Shipman's book will focus not on whether discrimination happens (we know it happens all the time") but on why. What are men afraid of? The flag that science carries is one of objectivity and fairness," Shipman says. "Judgments are made based on evidence, so it shouldn't matter what background a person has. Their performance and productivity

should be what matters."

She will be taking a distinct-

ly anthropological approach.

She compares the rise of women in science to a clash of cultures: "An invasion is occurring. The people who are there to begin with, men, respond to this invasion by closing ranks and patrolling their borders," She also points out that, in this case, there is a curious reversal of territorial infringement, because it is the subordinate culture invading the dominant one. "It's the anthropological equivalent of

the Aborigines shipping their unwanted people to Britain."

Pat Shipman: "I really felt I had to write about women moving into science"

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However, she is at a loss to explain why men should perceive the rise of women as an "invasion". She thinks it is instinctive and innate, a "basal reaction", and suggests outdated stereotypes are still to blame. "Women are still mainly familiar to men in a domestic setting, so when men run up against women in other settings, it bewilders them.

One ali-too-common experience for women scientists, including Shipman, is having junior male colleagues promoted above them.

An astonishing study, recently published in Nature, showed that the procedure used by the Swedish Medical Research Council to award post-doctoral fellowships rated most competent women only as highly as the least competent men.

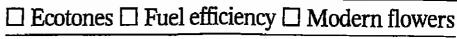
the authors of the Nature paper, Christine Wenneras and Agnes Wold, of Gothenburg University, Sweden, studied the appointment of 20 post-doctoral fellowships, from 114 applicants. Sixty-two men and 52 women applied; 16 men and four women were successful. (The authors invoked the Freedom of the Press Act to force the research council to release the

documents.) More research revealed that women who did not know a member of the selection committee making the appointments had to be 212 times more productive than men to achieve the same competence score. The researchers concluded that being female and not knowing anyone on the selection committee constituted "a double handicap of such severity that it could hardly be compensated for by scientific

productivity alone". 'Wasn't it extraordinary?" Shipman exclaims. "If we can understand the social dynamics of what's going on, perhaps we can get men to rise above their instinctive, defensive reaction." She also hopes her book will "map out the landscape" for women scientists so they know where to tread in

this difficult jungle. Again, she invokes an anthropological analogy: "It's like going anywhere new. You learn the customs so you don't offend anyone. It may not be much, but it's better than

nothing." ● The Wisdom of Bones is published by Phoenix, £7.99



## Beyond the fringe

the disappearing heart of the rainforest, but a new study suggests that we should be equally worried about its ragged edge. Along the fringes where trees shade into savannah, distinctive species evolve and contribute to biological diversity. These areas, the ecotones, have typically been over-looked, says Dr Thomas Smith, of San Francisco State University, the leader of the team. "The general belief is that if we preserve rain forests, we are also preserving the processes that create diversity. But our findings suggest that the engines generating new species and increased biodiversity may lie in unprotected ecotones

at the forest periphery." The team, which included Dr Michael Bruford from the Institute of Zoology in London, spent six years trapping birds with nets from six sites in West African rainforests and another six sites along the edge. They were catching a small bird, the little greenbul, which lives on insects and fruit both in the forest and in patches of forest surrounded by savannah. They measured various characteristics of the birds, including weight, depth of beak, length of wing and leg bones, and the upper jaw: They also took

some blood for genetic analysis.

They report in Science that the species from the fringes were significantly different from those in the interior, even though the two populations interbred. The ecotone species were heavier, had deeper bills, and

longer wings probably offer an advantage to species living more in the open, because they confer greater speed, enabling them to escape predators.

Yet the genetic studies showed that there was considerable toand-fro between the populations - about one in ten migrants per generation in each population of birds. This result is striking BRIEFING because it seems to show that birds can develop physical differences under environmental Nigel pressures - the first step to-Hawkes wards forming a new species -

even when there is interbreed-ing. Classical theories hold that species develop in isolation, while these results show that it may be possible even when there is considerable "gene flow" between neighbouring populations.

If this is true, then there may be important implications for preserving species diversity. in the past, ecotones have tended to be ignored because they look as if they are already damaged, while the heart of the forest remains pristine. But if new species are formed there, they may move from their ecotone cradle to the forest and contribute to the biodiversity", Dr Smith argues, In that case, the rainforest proper may be a sink for new species, not a source.

That has implications for conservationists. because it is the edges of forests that tend to erode first as a result of burning, wood-gathering, and grazing. "If we lose these habitats, we may be losing the processes that generate biodiversity," he believes.

## Lubricants in the machine



WHEN chemists first discovered fullerenes spheres of carbon made up of 60 atoms linked to create spheres — they hoped they might prove ideal lubricants.
Lots of tiny spheres keeping rubbing surfaces apart ought to eliminate

friction. But experiments were discouraging. Now a team at the Weizmann Institute in Israel, led by Professor Reshef Tenne, has discovered a fullerene that is a good lubricant, but it is made of tungsten disulphide, not carbon. At about a millionth of a centimetre across, these molecules are bigger than carbon fullerenes, enabling them to maintain a greater distance between stiding surfaces. In tests reported in Nature, the team shows that the tungsten disulphide fullerenes outperform all existing solid lubricants, including normal tungsten disulphide and molybdenum disulphide.

Better lubricants mean less wear and onger-lasting, more fuel-efficient machines. The material works very well in the laboratory, and our challenge now is to synthesise it in large quantities for testing in

## **Bumblebee fights** against fashion



CHANGING fashions in Britain's gardens are bad news for bumblebees. They already have to compete with honeybees for supplies of nectar, and they start with a disadvantage. Their large

size means that they use more energy to fly and therefore need to find more nectar just to survive — but modern flowers do not help.

Many non-native and new varieties are ill-suited for bumblebees, says Dr Sarah Corbet, of Cambridge University, in New Scientist. Today many flowers are propagated artificially, which means that they no longer have to set seed, allowing breeders to develop flashy flowers that are inaccessible to bumblebees. The loss of hedgerows crowded with wild perennials is a further blow. Setaside, which encourages annuals at the expense of perennials, makes the problem worse. As a result, bumblebees are in decline, with only six of Britain's 19 species widespread and abundant.

Dr Corbet urges gardeners to help by growing more deep-flowered herbaceous perennials, such as catmint, cornflowers and

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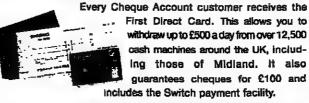
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# Conservatives in opposition:

After 18 years the Tories are out of power. **Michael Gove** examines how they, and Labour, are adjusting to their change in circumstance

onathan Aitken's fall. like Lucifer's, may have been the most dramatic but his personal tragedy is only one of many humblings still being inflicted on the men 50 days ago. The Tories may have elected a new leader but many of those who were once William Hague's colleagues are finding it difficult to make a fresh start.

The leadership contest was a civil war which provided for many shell-shocked Tories a continuation of politics by other means. Now that it is over, like the preparations for a funeral, there is no activity to displace the disorientation of

On Thursday night, as the Hague team celebrated in their Victoria headquarters, another group of Tories gathered in a smart Chelsea townhouse a handbag's swing from Margaret Thatcher's old home in Flood Street. It was the dropping of a pilot rather than the piping aboard of a new captain. The man who has kept the Tory party's compass from yawing for 20 years was marking his departure with a

small party.

Alistair Cooke, the director of the Conservative Political Centre and editor of its election bibles, engineered his own transition to a slightly safer berth with the Independent Schools' Joint Council. Many of those who had gathered to toast him might have

ton were two of the highestprofile casualties of the May high tide. They were also two of the most composed of the dispossed gathered there. Hamilton's reputation rests in

ed him from coping as politicians do when they lose the Tories created — ex-MPs.

> all closed off. The loss of power for the party makes life for its former servants more difficult but has had an effect no less bewildering for those who remain. In the first days back, those Tory MPs who survived wandered along the Commons corridors like shellshock victims pacing First World War wards.

Kenneth Clarke had to ask a Labour MP to direct him to the Leader of the Opposition's office. Michael Howard acquired a bleep for the first time in his life. Someone else had always been there to field the calls before. Other rivals for the leadership who had been used to Whitehall splendour had to operate out of adjacent cubbyholes in a neglected Corridor of the Powerless.

Tories in the country found the adjustment less severe but the disorientation almost as great. Just as Tony Blair thought a call from "the Deputy Prime Minister meana Hezza was on the line, so one

party activist recalls listening finding another with a book. It will not be the autobiography expected but interest has already been expressed. quer sounded Scottish. Hamilton is scribbling in

Eighteen years of assumpthe Aiderly Edge Rectory. which they have no intention of selling. Instead, they have sold themselves, to broadcasters and others, in a market as competitive as any other the the trip to the Palace. The search for a job domi-

nates thinking. Traditional routes available when the Tories were still in office, from quangocrat to consultant, are Michael

> acquired a bleep for the first time in his life May 2 could have been dis-

ed as another setback, the latest by-election humiliation. but the speed with which the climate changed turned that sharp reverse into a dull ache. For one Tory peer, seeing The Sun endorse Blair was of a piece with the humiliations visited on John Major during his long recessional, but see ing Lord Rothermere take his seat on the Labour benches signalled the end of Empire.

The greatest loss is endured by those who held the highest office, not least those groomed

to Today and wondering why the Chancellor of the Exche-

tions have been swept away, casual jokes about gaffes "costing us the election" and the et pleasure constituency chairmen took in knowing hours in committee would guarantee the gong and

Watching Labour activists celebrate in the early hours of

Howard

for power. For Michael Portillo, apprenticeship in the Conservative Research Department, as aide to Margaret Thatcher, special adviser and through red boxes were all preparation for the pinnacle. He has endured the loss of

The face of defeat: Michael Portillo, like many of his colleagues, faces the loss of his Commons audience. A close ally confirms that he wants to return to politics, but an early re-entry seems unlikely

office without rancour. Although the mention of his name has the effect on many of the Left that water has poured on fire - hissing - and the moment when he lost his seat saw chardonnay spilt in excitement across Islington, there are several on the Labour benches who will admit a grudging affection for him. The Education and Emplo ment Secretary David Blunkett refers to "my friend Michael, a civilised man" and others who have shadowed him acknowledge his charm.

A child of the Left, his father a Republican in the Spanish Civil War, those connections have led to broadcasting offers. Along with Baroness Thatcher he threw himself into last-minute canvassing for William Hague and was delighted by the victory, but one friend acknowledged he

has had his low moments.

One of his closest allies confirms he still wants to return to politics, but the prospect of an early re-entry is unlikely. By the time of the next election he would still be shy of 50 and capable of slipping back in at the highest level. Politics is a fickle misimpossible to resist.

THE ADVISER had only been in office a week but already he was admitting that power corrupts. Not, of course, the politicians, but the press. He explained: "My minister still tells the same jokes he did as a shadow, but the journalists now laugh more loudly." Accepting the proffered glass of champagne, he grew more expansive. Of course we are in power to get things done — but you

can't help enjoying the attention. Political moods are more changeable than the westher but Labour's first 50 days have been one long contented summer. For a party that believed, even more than Tara Palmer-Tomkinson, that spending was the route to happiness. the irony rests in the scale of the change they have wrought without yet having

to raid the bank. Just as the loss of office has had a psychological effect on Tories, so its assumption has brought benefits to Labour and its supporters which are unconnected with having their hands on the purse-strings.

The itch to intervene, once overwhelmingly directed to industry and the economy, has found other nutlets. Bans on tobacco advertising, the sale of landmines. and, possibly, foxhunting satisfy pent-up

imbue the new administra-

Even — perhaps especially - in education the Government seems determined to disprove the unions' favourite equation - more expenditure plus even more expenditure automatically adds up to improvement. The Schools Minister, Stephen Byers, has argued forcefully since taking of fice that improved standards flow from following best practice, not plunder-

At Health, where regular cash injections had led to addiction, Frank Dobson hopes that bureaucratic reform and radical thinking will deliver what the taxpayer will not.

ing the public purse.

A new tone in Northern Ireland, new emphases at Heritage and new parlia-ments for Scotland and socialist appetites without offending new Labour's

Having hit the ground at this pace, however, the problem is keeping it up. Over this first 50 days the only reserves the Government needs to draw on are goodwill but; soon; it will have to face the first settling of honeymoon accounts.

Next week's Budget will disappoint some who have placed their faith in the Blair revolution. Although Labour in Opposition tried to deflate expectations there is a roaring bull market it political futures. It is hard to see how Gordon Brown will satisfy those who, despite the warnings, still expect spending rises unless it means disappoint-ing those who still think no rise in tax rates is the same as no rise in taxes.

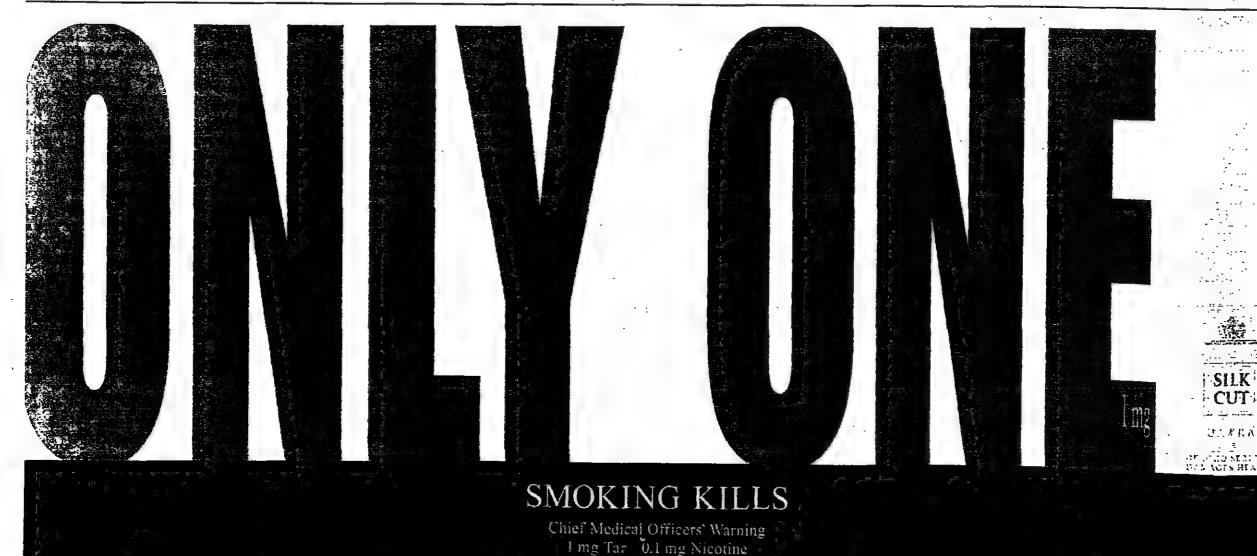
GIVEN THE care with which new Labour sought to limit expectations there would be an element of unfairness in the criticism. but the scale and sweep of Labour's actions so far have only raised hopes of what can be done. Power may not only corrupt, it can also

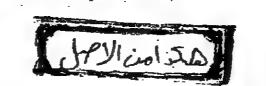
Those who are currently enjoying the spectacle of journalists laughing louder may find the gentlemen of the press also laugh last.

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The Hamiltons: high-profile casualties





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# Sition surviving the first fifty days Surviving the first fifty days

scan the sits vac column, but a handsome family seat is not enough for those who ve lost their parliamentary one. Sir Nicholas Cosmo Bonsor was, until midnight on May !, the Member for Upminster as well as the Minister for Eastem Europe and Latin America. Now, at 54, he is another redundant middle-manager seeking attractive openings.

A dispatch box dreadnought with the easy charm of Eton, Sir Nicholas was a popular colleague who did not hog the limelight in the manner of other ministers but earned the quiet respect of his peers. They, however, are a band so reduced in numbers and influence as to make Sir Nicholas's forced, and unexpected, retirement, less easy.

With Cabinet ministers who never expected to be anywhere else but in the Commons now adjusting to life outside, the options left open to Sir Nicho-

> Till May he was minister for the dole. Now he can claim it'

las are fewer, but he has, as the gentry do, adapted. "I didn't expect to lose," he explains, "but I'm getting back on an even keel."

The family estate, which might once have contributed to both his social esteem and his overdraft, is now a growlimited company, Liscombe Holdings, with a golf, health and leisure centre taking the place of heifers.

Nicholas is a man of broad horizons as well as broad acres. He is hoping to exploit his knowledge of the developing markets south of the Rio Grande and east of the Elbe, very exciting countries with a lot to offer Britain".

He still feels that he, too, has a lot to offer Britain and admits, with mandarin understatement: "I haven't turned my back on politics."

ease

Although his name has been linked with the Uxbridge vacancy, caused by the death of Sir Michael Shersby, he is inclined to stick with his own suburb for the foreseeable future, implying a faith in the revival of his party's fortunes not universally shared.

Another Nicholas at a loss is Nicholas Soames, the MP for Mid-Sussex who held his seat but lost the office he adored, Armed Forces Minister. For Soames, the son of a Cabinet

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Winston Churchill, high office, like one's dinner jackets. is inherited. Soames will always, friends agree, find consolations in the House of Commons but life on the opposition benches, even if he is offered a shadow post, will seem as comfortable as a tendollar tux.

Scames is, according to a friend, "on the trawl for directorships" to find an appropriate outlet for his carbohydrate drive. A former Tory minister on one's board will, now, probably be worth between 10 and 15 per cent off the share price but Soames is the glorious exception to every rule. As well as City interest, his defence and agriculture expertise has excited industry attention.

Any company would be wise to snap him up, however, not so much for the experience of office, but the premier cru gossip that would come with him. From his description of failing ministers, "like a fish

he was your dog, you'd have him put down", he provides addictive inside dope. Also, even though his friends might think social security is knowing your father is in Debrett. the Churchill pedigree enables him to mix more easily with Labour than most Tories.

left too long on the slab", to

troublesome backbenchers, "if

One other former government minister, who has had to learn about social security the hard way, is Alistair Burt, the former MP for Bury North. Until May 2 he was minister for the dole. Now he can claim

Catapulted into the Commons at a tender 28, he acquired a reputation as one of the more caring ministers, but he had not acquired much



Alistair Burt: doleful?

before that. A qualified solicifor, he finds himself having spent his thirties on a bare parliamentary salary while his contemporaries built up their practices.

mastered one of the most difficult briefs in the last Government and took much of the heat out of the anger directed at the Child Support Agency. It is a pity for Mr Burt that no agency exists to support those who have been deserted by the voters.



IN THE Tory party, if you can lose your hair while all around you are keeping theirs then you seem to have a head start. William Hague's loss is his party's gain and another young Conservative with a cropped top is also finding consolations in defeat.

Steve Hilton is only 27 but he has been at the heart of two general election campaigns, helped Boris Yeltsin to reelection as Russia's President and is now about to launch his own business.

Hilton was one of the scores of advisers and apparatchiks whose numbers grew during the Tory era. Their mushrooming was driven by the party's need to cope with the increasing sophistication of politics. Labour has already been criticised for the number of political appointees it has brought into Government but their prevalence adds significantly to the efficiency of Government and scarcely at all to the tax bill.

The greatest price to be paid is by the advisers themselves. whose careers depend not on keeping their bosses happy but on their bosses keeping the voters sweet. The Tory defeat has seen a tranche of twentysomethings with extensive experience of power and even more extensive debts learning to come to terms

Hilton, although recruited by the Conservative Research Department and intimately involved in the 1997 campaign, has been at arm's length from the Government for the past five years as an executive with M and C Saatchi. A committed Tory, he was devastated by the election but it did not deprive him of a job. It was, however, the moment, he felt, to move on.

He and a colleague from Saatchi's plan to set up a new company this summer designed to help companies to target their philanthropy and sharpen their sponsorship. It will, in Hilton's words, "help businesses to become more actively involved in causes of concern to their customers". He accepts that it sounds like the new Labour notion of stakeholding but argues that, while Labour would impose overtight regulations, he will tailor causes to companies.



Rachel Whetstone: crisis experience to rival Red Adair

point of hyperactivity, hit the ground running after a drainng election and the company is now "at an advanced stage of planning". He still harbours political ambitions, and making money by showing organisations how to target the causes their clients support could hardly he better

WHILE working for the Tories Hilton had to face the occasional gibes of contemporaries. It was early training in adversity but even Hilton's position at the eye of the



advertising campaign wasn't quite the test of endurance that Rachel Whetstone en-Joyed. As Michael Howard's special adviser. Whetstone has had a training in crisismanagement to rival Red Adair. From escaping murderers to Ann Widdecombe's attempted character assassination. Whetstone's job has not wanted for drama.

A graduate of Benenden and Bristol might have been expected to avoid mixing with rough company but Whetstone enjoyed her time at the Home Office. "It was marvellous to be working with a minister determined to make a difference. Not everything we did succeeded, but it was hugely satisfying to help Michael get so much worthwhile done.'

Distressed by the scale of the election defeat and disappointed by her boss's showing in the leadership election. Whetstone plans to stay with the new Shadow Foreign Secretary for six months but with the new year she wants a new challenge. She would, ideally. want to work in corporate communications for a company which needed someone with parliamentary nous, PR experience and a rhinoceros hide. Whatever turns up, Whetstone is grateful to have had experiences denied her contemporaries: "Of course losing has been painful, but it was exciting just to be in one of the great offices of state." It may be a long time before another 29-year-old Tury gets

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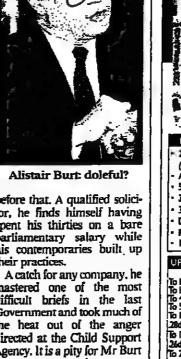
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saw the Forth Bridge again the other day and again concluded that it is not only a wonder of 19th-century British engineering, but an object which sends out all the messages of a great work of art. Given that artists are currently considered the sole interpreters of the imagination, and given also the comparatively mean status accorded to engineers, there is more than a little irony here.

What if, in another hundred years, the Forth Bridge still soars across the Firth, not only for ferrying the latest engineering miracles on wheels, but by then indisputably recognised as a work of art far out-soaring any of its contemporary sculpted artefacts What if it is seen to be as full of resonance, of abstracted beauty, as many other artistic marvels which were also set up with little or nothing of art in the minds of their makers? In short, does art always reside where current fashion decides that it must?

Chartres Cathedral was not made as a work of art. It was

Real beauty in the eye of the builder act of faith, almost hysterical in its urgency and fundamentalist purpose, designed to honour the Mother of Christ, glorify God, elevate its living wealthy patrons, celebrate the community and educate, through its windows, the illiterate faithful.

No doubt craftsmen were proud of their craft, and a finished job well done would be admired. But the whole, the mass of it, the thing that makes it Chartres was virtually untainted with the preoccupations now considered essential for anyone setting up as an artist. Yet who would dream of denying that the sight and experience of Chartres exists in the same spectrum as

that of the Sistine Chapel ceiling? Just imagine that great bridge over the Firth, its three monumental hexagons joined by urgent dashes and book-ended by taut

ribbon lengths which peg it to the land. It has a moving stillness, as the clouds sail over, the boats sail under, the trains pass through, the water chops and surges at its base. As a design it has a simplicity which is far stronger than the affected simplicity of so much architectural sculpture done this century. And there is the added layer of meaning in that, like Chartres, it has a purpose.

I remember Brigid Brophy writing that Concorde was an outstandingly beautiful work of art. It was true then and continues to be true. As a means of transport it is still questioned every day, but as something which ravages the visual senses it is an eagle we have made for ourselves.

How many more examples are there of functional objects and products being or becoming art?

medical intention, are now available to read as extraordinary narratives comparable with the best short stories of the past

And how many engineers knew, a century ago, that those leaping spans across the Firth of Forth were an artefact of splendour and magnificence that would reach above all the contemporary works of self-conscious sculptors?

n my view there are not enough shots of crowds in-today's television coverage of sport. A view is strongly held that the sporting event is a sacred act. as sacred as a play at the National Theatre, and must be watched in wholly concentrated silence bro-ken only when official permission is given to laugh, to applaud or to take a break. But at great sporting events the atmosphere, the crowd, the context, is a huge supporting chorus, and to excise it is to deliver to the viewer half the event.

I am aware that anything that. threatens to change the coverage of

cricket especially will be considered anathema. Thus, in the first Test against Australia, although the good-hearted Birmingham crowd was clearly in fine form, we were allowed only the most meagre throwaway references on the radio and the most grudging and guilty little cutaways on television. Still, even these mean offerings

whetted the appetite. Fancy dress, convict uniforms, mad South Sea Island outfits complete with teasingly placed coconuts . . . there was a genuine and uplifting sense of fun. Had we been there our eyes would certainly have swept across that and taken it in as part of the game. Television has cameras to do that job for us, and it unnecessarily straitjackets itself by averting its lenses.

Then, when certain chants and cheers rippled around the ground. why was there no explanation?

Today's crowd feels itself more articulately part of the game than ever before. Certainly when watching football on television I miss the songs and sense and feeling of the crowd. Television most of all ought to be able to bring this alive.

Of course, I'm not suggesting that the screen be turned over to a barmy army of self-publicists (although, in fairness to the Barmy Army itself, they're every bit as barmy when television is nowhere near them).

When the cameras went into Parliament there were objections that the loonier Members would become even loonier. There seems no evidence of that, and I cannot see that coverage in football and cricket would be an incitement.

With split-screen techniques, the coming of the bigger screen and all the technical tricks which our engineers (heirs of the Forth Bridge) could bring to bear, we could have much more of the event on the screen. Television ought to address itself to the spectacle, as well as to the match.

## In service to the caped crusader

Batmans may come and go, but the butler remains

the same. W. Stephen Gilbert meets Michael Gough

to cast Batman's batman, who do you go for but an actor's actor? Michael Gough is such a player, though many would rather rate him a real star, one of the last and best of those "proper thespians" who bring class as well as perfect ease to the screen. Gough himself would make no such claim. "I'm essentially a job-bing actor," he says. "If I'm out of work. I'll be the back end of

He has given us his Alfred Pennyworth in all four of the films in the present Batman series, a lucrative means of passing years when most men, even most actors, are happy to retire. The reference books say Gough will be 80 this year but he reckons they are wrong. There was some indecision as to when I was born. My sister said it was 1916. I'd lost my

Approaching 81, Gough has

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worked with two Batman directors - Tim Burton and now Joel Schumacher - and three actors in the title role. In the latest film, Batman & Robin, which opens in Britain this week, it is the television star George Clooney (Doug Ross in ER) who dons the cap and moulded body armour of the caped crusader. Gough admires Clooney. "A lovely thing about him is that because I'm old and stupid I'll sometimes say: 'Joel. I don't sometimes say: 'Joel, I don't know what I say in this scene." and Joel will say, 'cut' and before I can apologise George says, 'I'm sorry Joel I put him

his eye, my fault. The three Barmen have differred greatly. "Michael Keaton I liked very much. We were all finding our way and we rehearsed together in the studio before shooting started. He was doing gym work and he said 'Come on, you've got to do some too'. I said 'I'll fall to

pieces'. Vai Kilmer I had worked with on another film. He's nice but you don't get through to him much. But George is a real mate,"

Butlers have been staple figures of stage and screen ever since playwrights added men indoors to gods in conflict. The between-the-wars success of the Jeeves yarns and of Charles Laughton's dazzling 1935 performance in Ruggles of Red Gap, sharning the locals by fully reciting the Gettysburg Address, fixed the English butler in upwardly mobile American minds.

from Enc Blore and Aubrey Mather to Denholm Elliott and John Gielgud, English actors have been happy to serve in a role that could so easily suffer diminishing returns. Neither is Gough fazed at being the hired help. Indeed he is fascinated by the real-life trade. "There's a great gaggle



Best of friends: Michael Gough (left) as the butler and George Clooney as his boss in Batman & Robin, the latest film in the Hollywood series

of them out there," he says. "Joel's butter goes to butters" meetings and butlers' outings. They're organised. Funnily enough the original Alfred in the 1950s television series was acted by a friend of mine dead now, God rest his boots - called Alan Napier. I suppose I'm rather like him in a way, but I've always worked, touch wood, and this is easy compared with things I've

been in before." it was Tim Burton, initiating the current Batman cycle, who cast Alfred. "He adores

chuckies Gough, "and I did some wonderful terrible films, monster films, but not what you would call Hammer greats. There was one in which I was gripped by a huge gorilla whom I'd bred from a baby and fed ghastly hormones. I had to look up at this thing and yell 'Put me down.

Konga'. One of my great lines. They were so bad these films, but they did me a great favour because Tim was watching the Tony Awards when I came up for Bedroom

Farce in 1979 and he cried 'I know that man, he's in terrible films!" In a way it's to do with making the impossible seem real. I think that may be what he thought I could do."

In his middle and later years, Gough has been much cast as a kind of British archetype, rangy and striking, distinguished and swishy, yet remote and dreamy: one thinks of his Anthony Eden in Suez and - a lovely performance this - Livingstone in the epic television series The Search for the Nile. Gough

knows that he embodies a kind of native style, but, as he says, "I've always felt myself basically Irish, although I have no right to. My parents were abroad so I used to go to ireland for the school

holidays. I remember my brother and I would always get into an Irish carriage on the train from Kings Cross. You could tell an Irish carriage because it was full. In the next carriage you would see one man in a bowler hat with three newspapers spread out and you would

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know he was going to be alone, he was filling it up to put people off. Whereas the trish all got together, out with

"That's what I like about filming in America. Everyone's working together. When I come onto the set from the bright sunlight, I say 'Oh my God, I'm blind', and someone will always come and take my hand and walk me across the set. That never happens in this country."

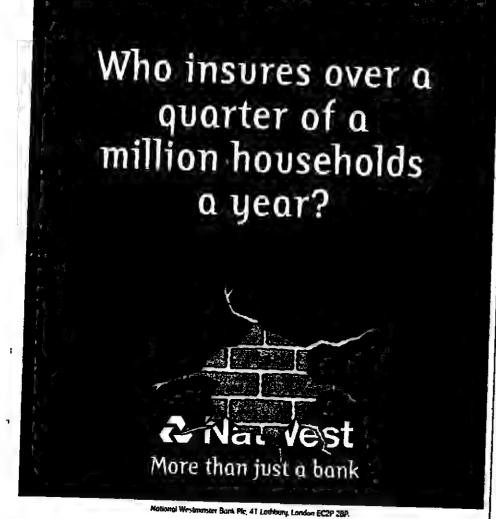
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How the mood has changed, Today the classical afficionados have had a horrific glimpse of truly cheap gimmickry: female violinists dressing up like Hamburg streetwalkers. Compared with that, competitions that bring real talents to the attention of millions seem like excellent advertisements.

Certainly none of the five ingers who won through to Saturday's final of the Cardiff Singer of the World (sponsored by BP and broadcast live on BBC2 and Radio 3) seemed unduly stressed. And, apart from the curious absence of any soprano or singer from Eastern Europe (the opera houses are packed with bril-

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liant young Russians), this quintet seemed representative of tomorrow's stars. An honest Welsh lenor

Gwyn Hughes Jones, displayed an engaging timbre which just lacked that spark of individuality. The English baritone Christopher Maltman gave a terrific performance of Vaughan Wiliams's The Vagabond, and then sang Britten, Mediner, Schubert. Gounod and Mozart with intelligence and impeccable grooming.

Then came three singers from emerging operatic countries. A Chinese mezzo, Guang Yang, sounded mundane in Schubert but stunned all ears by cascading through Rossini. personable South African bass-haritone. Abel Motsoadi, was vocally rather stiff in Mozart, and then unwisely picked a dreary Handel aria (played terribly by the BBC National Orchestra of Wales) and compounded his error by forgetting it halfway through. Finally, from Venezuela, came a plump belter of a tenor called Aquiles Machado, who already looks like Pavarotti and can imitate the vocal mannerisms too. If only Ma-

chado's tone were as honeyed! And the winners were? Well. Guang Yang took the big prize and Maltman the Lieder Prize. I would have given him both. because he used his brain. Singers who do that should be encouraged. But I am a biased Englishman, and anyway I am not going to argue with a jury including Marilyn Horne and Dame Joan Sutherland.

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## Youthful gift of professionalism

sion for papering a concert distributing free tickets to deserving members of the public — this was it. Apart from making the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra feel better at this point in its fiftieth-anniversary European tour, a full Bridgewater Hall of young musicians from in and around Manchester might well have spread a new wave of inspiration and enthusiasm through the region. They would at least have left knowing that a bunch of school age instrumentalists can achieve something not far

short of professional standard. A critical ear could have detected the usual kinds of faults - in intonation and ensemble, for example — but nothing so obtrusive or so consistent as to distract attention from the music. Jon Deak's Celebration and Remembrance - an entertaining and even funny showpiece enterprisingly based on themes by the composer's students - was dispatched efficiently and with a pleasingly discreet sense of humour.

There was no serious prob-lem either in Berlioz's Symphonie fantastique. If the CYSO's admirably practical, no-fuss conductor Daniel Hege met an obstacle here it was in stylistic rather than

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technical areas. Certainly, his young players sounded more at home in the affectionately detailed countryside than at a rather perfunctory ball.

And the grotesque hallucinations of the closing stages of the symphony seemed to communicate a more vivid appeal to the youthful imagination than the reveries and passions of the first movement.

All this was a valuable demonstration of what, given such disciplined strings and talented wind players (with no unnecessary doublings), a vouth orchestra can achieve. The performance of Wieniawski's Violin Concerto in D minor was something else again. The soloist was the orchestra's youngest member, Eunice Keem, whose accomplishment at the age of 13 is so advanced that no ordinary musician of a similar age could hope to emulate her.

Her sound is obviously not fully developed, but her lefthand finger technique is phesensitively adjusted and her understanding in such musicianly matters as phrasing and colouring even more impressive than the rest.

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## Sonorous Swedes

THE Yggdrasil Quartet of so a certain foot-stomping Aberdeen: they sound splendid before they have even played a note, Barry Millington writes. And when they do strike up in Hawksmoor's Christ Church, Spitallields. they sound particularly sonorous, the generous acoustics lending amplitude to an al-

ready vibrant delivery. The Swedish ensemble (the Scandinavae the Op 13 of Nielsen and the only complet-

The Nielsen shows consid erable destectly in the medium, and the Yggdrasii relished, indeed highlighted. Yggdrasii both its lyrical effusions and its sturdy vigour,

The rhythms of Grieg's quartet were even more robust, appropriately so, as this was the work the composer from "a surfeit of folksiness",

quality is not out of place. The Yggdrasils had this and more: there was a wistful waltz in the Romanze which suggested a Tchaikovskian glimpse of an unattainable beauty across the crowded ballroom. From the Bottom of the

Soul, the title of the quartet by Julia Gomelskaya - a Spitalfields commission given its world premiere here — gives a clue as to the conception of the piece The words are from a disjointed text (author not given), quoted by the composrealm of feeling. That anxiety is translated into sound in a number of starkly juxtaposed sections threaded together into an eight-minute structure. Extreme expressionistic moods are conveyed by heavily accented semiquaver groupings. phostly rustlings (often involving tremolo or playing the wrong side of the bridge) and other techniques. The Yggdrasils made an admirable job of tying all these disparate state-

Carol Yahr as Brünnhilde and Oddbjorn Tennfjord as Wotan in Mike Ashman's straightforward production: "on a purely narrative level this cycle is looking extremely good"

## An extraordinary venture

t is with Die Walkure that the drama proper of Wagner's cycle begins, and so Saturday's second part of the Norwegian Opera's Ring des Nibelungen was keenly awaited. Most of what had place, and some dramatic disappointments did little to diminish the impact of this extraordinary venture

at Norwich's Theatre Royal. With the orchestra on better, more refined form, on a musical level this performance surpassed expectations of the opening night. The score bristled with tension from beginning to end, but it never sounded pushed. Heinz Fricke is as good at dealing with long, almost "symphonic" stretches as dramatic incident, and he knows exactly when to be a little more expansive. He conducted one of

Norwegian Opera's Ring cycle at the Theatre Royal in Norwich the hardest spans in the whole Ring. Gudjon Oskarsson was a dark-toned her voice; this former Sieglinde gave

the first act of Walkure, in one detail in the playing throughout the opera, never at the expense of musical momentum, and Fricke relaxed towards the end and brought real magic to the Magic Fire Music.

The last part of Act I, from Winterstürme to the end, was also highly charged thanks to the passionate Siegmund and Sieglinde of Jyrki Niskanen and Kjersti Ekeberg: Niskanen was not on his best form at the top, and did not scale his voice down enough in the quieter moments, but his big, baritonal tenor makes him a natural in the part.

Hunding, whose brutal mistreat- a brave, occasionally effortful, perfor-

OPERA: John Allison on Die Walküre, the second instalment in

Oddbjorn Tennfjord, still not singing with the even, top-to-bottom command of notes that makes an ideal Wotan, came into his own here. He set an example to other Wotans by never bellowing, and he was more at ease with the tragic ligure he portrays in Die Walkure than as the god of wheeler-dealing in Das Rheingold. Once again, Rosemarie Lang's Fricka found all the beauty there is in her music. Carol Yahr is a fresh-sounding Brünnhilde at the moment, but needs to be careful with

light for the big part, and she blended rather too easily with the other Valkyries in Act III. At least without the traditional, heavyweight voice she makes an unusually feminine Brünnhilde,

Mike Ashman's staging of the Ride of the Valkyries is a moment of grim comic relief. The high-spirited sisters in Madonna-style breastplates really enjoy themselves gathering up the bodies of dead heroes, and in a scene devoid of the traditional Teutonic overtones Ashman introduces amusing cameos of sibling rivalry. He is,

The designer Kathrine Hysing loses her touch here, supplying only a cluster of Christmas trees and a bare ramp for Brünnhilde's rock, but then her naive Sound of Music mountain backdrop in Act I had already made of John Bishop's atmospheric lighting. Still, those aspects of this straightforward production which might seem inadequate in a major theatre work well in what is a small-house Ring in the best sense. Ashman is strong at storytelling, and on a purely narrative level this cycle is looking extremely good. But something is missing in those parts of the work that go beyond fairytales into the realm of myth, and it remains to be seen in the final instalments if Ashman is going to find the deeper meanings which the Ring is about.

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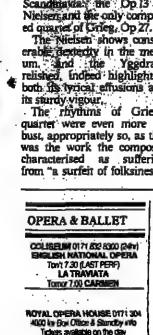
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catastrophe over ivory trading

The partial lifting of the worldwide ban on trade in ivory last week is a stupid, arrogant and selfish gamble on the future of Africa's elephant population. As if this were not daft enough, the southern African delegates to the United Nations Conven-tion on International Trade in Endangered Species (Cites) conference in Harre showed that conservation issues are now clouded with racism and nationalism. Such notions do a disservice to wildlife and the people who live alongside it.

When Cites delegates clapped and broke into a chorus of Nkosi Sikele i'Africa (God Save Africa) on hearing that they would be able to flog tusks to the Japanese, who turn them into decorative signature seals, I couldn't help muttering "God Save the Ele-phant". The Almighty alone can now do much for the wretched creatures.

At first glance the southern Africans have a perfectly reasonable argument for lifting the Cites ban on trade in ivory. Botswana, Namibia and Zimbabwe, who have too many elephants, will be able to sell off their huge stockpiles to Japan. This will generate up to

£15 million of muchneeded funds for conservation. No If they sensible environcannot save mentalist disagrees with the argument their rhino that Africa's wildlife - what should not only pay for itself, but turn a chance has profit for its human nosts if it is to survive. This is the elephant? central theme of all

conservation planning, from Kenya to the Cape. African leaders trying to cope with populations expanding at a rate of some 3 per cent a year have a tough time explaining why vast tracts of land must be set aside for animals, while their own populations go hungry.

In return for allowing them to sell off their ivory, the southern African states agreed to wait 18 months before exporting their tusks while a poaching and other effects of

the renewed trade. The three countries will be able to sell only part of their stockpiles, and will not cull elephant specifically for the ivory trade. in addition, if one of them fails to ensure that only its own excess ivory is sold it would automatically lose its right to trade in

elephant tusks. All this sounds fine. But it is nonsense. There is no way that the southern African states could control the trade in ivory. The region is a major trans-shipment point for hard drugs and weapons. South Africa, which also wants to sell its ivory, has probably the highest murder rate in the world, a hopeless and corrupt police force and a Customs department riddled with apartheid-eru arms and contraband smugglers. During the 1980s, the South African Government itself was involved in ivory smuggling

from Angola. Zimbabwe's National Parks Department which daims to want to cut its elephant population from 120,000 to 65,000, is plagued by infighting and

political interference. For all the country's boasts of being a leader at conservation, Zimbahwe's black rhino population has vanished from the wild over the past decade. If antipoaching units could not stop the killing of rhino. why should we believe the same authorities will be able to stop

the slaughter of elephant? In addition, Japan — ivory's biggest market — has shown little regard for the conservation of any species (think of whales). And a country in which people fall in love with pets" hanging from key rings can hardly be expected to have the interests of African pachyderms at heart.

East African conservation ists - notably Richard Leakey. who as director of Kenya Wildlife Services was instrumental in getting the Cites ban imposed in 1989 — are deeply sympathetic to the southern African desire to make money out of game. But they argue that elephant populations have not yet recovered from the peaching massacres of the [970s and 1980s and that they could not cope with another

surge in elephant killings.
Why should such a slaughter follow a partial lifting of the ivory trading ban? Because (according to Esmund Bradley-Martin, the world's leading authority on trade in ivory and rhino horn) the mere expectation that the

ban on ivory trad-ing might he lifted ahead of the 1995 Cites meeting led to an increase in the price of ivory, "Speculators buy up stocks held in Japan

they will be able to trade in ivory," he wrote at the time.
"The ban drove the price of ivory right through the floor. making it uneconomic to poach. An end to the ban would, in the short and medium term, inevitably result in an increase in ivory prices and therefore probably poaching."

and elsewhere in the hope that

dict that if ivory is back in the marketplace, and legally sold in shops, poachers and smugglers will have a field-day in Tsavo and the Serengeri. Worse still, the unpatrolled forests of the Congo and Niger River basins in Central and West Africa would swiftly lose their elephant.

Westerners who have put pressure on Zimbabwe to maintain an ivory ban were told by Chen Chimutengwende, the Environment Minister, that they are "just racist and do not like the urbanisation or development of Africa because they like Africa to be one big zoo where they will just come as tourists and see poor blacks practising their traditions and living with wild animals.

This is a nasty little smokescreen to hide a contemptuous attitude towards the rest of the African ecosystem among the self-styled conservationists of southern Africa at Cites.

I doubt whether they care one jot what happens to the 300,000 or more elephant in the north of the continent.

## Ideals of freedom and enterprise that swept Thatcher to power are being restored to the agenda

It is worth taking a closer look at Cecil Parkinson's beliefs; apart from the sensible generosity to John Redwood, he is the one real surprise in William Hague's appointments. His job, as chairman of the Conservative Party, will be to do for William Hague what Peter Thorney-croft did so well for Margaret Thatcher after 1975.

Lord Parkinson has never been a favourite with the intellectuals, which has made some of them underestimate his intelligence. His autobiography. Right at the Centre, which was published in 1992, is one of the most observant of the memoirs of leading figures in the Thatcher period. Perhaps the most interesting section is the Epilogue, in which he argues that Margaret Thatcher's real contribution was not to invent Thatcherism. but "to prove that these ideas could in

He went on to sum up the political experiences of his own life. "I still marvel at the fact that a young man from Carnforth, who set out as a schoolboy to promote socialism, should have ended his career working for its destruction; that the son of a railwayman should have committed a Conservative Government to the privatisation of the railways; that the son of a Bevin Boy' should have committed a Conservative Government to the privatisation of the coal industry: that a former treasurer of the Labour League of Youth in a small northern town should have become chairman of the Conservative Party: that a person who had spent a substantial part of his working life in the City of London, and who had wondered at its autocratic and exclusive nature. should have had the opportunity to open up the Stock Exchange: that someone who in an early stage of his life was a pacifist should have served

in a War Cabinet." This passage brings out one of the

## The Tory radical is back in business

sources of energy of the Thatcher revolution; it was a revolution for converts and was partly made by converts. It was not made by the people of privilege, by the old professional middle class, the larger businessman, or the landed aristocracy, to protect their interests. It was made by the emerging middle class to enlarge their freedoms.

As Parkinson puts it: "The policies ere all designed to promote choice. to tackle the power of the hig battalions and to reduce the role of the bureaucracy in the everyday lives of ordinary people." The revolution has been widely misunderstood because it came not from the bottom up, nor from the top down, but from the lower middle up. No wonder the reaction was so snobbish, intellec-

tually and socially. The reason these policies were such a success in the 1980s was that she won this social backing. The risks she took were not well supported by the ministers in her 1979 Government, who themselves came from privilege. She had to get rid of most of the Tory grandees because they were "wets". In 1997 the Conservative Party was so badly defeated because it had lost the support of this underprivileged middle class, which Margaret Thatcher understood so well. In the constituencies where that class was strongest, the swing against the Tories tended to

be exceptionally large. It is also worth taking a closer look at Peter Lilley's political beliefs. He

has been appointed Shadow Chancellor and put in charge of the development of policy. We know a good deal about his philosophy of politics. In the Major Cabinet he was a quiet. skilful reformer of social security. He put through a number of Bills, none of which will be reversed by the new Government. He helped to put Brit-ain into the lead of Europe in future pension planning. Britain will not face anything like the unfunded pensions problem that will confront the rest of the EU in the next century.

## William Rees-Mogg

Lilley has been studying economic policy since the 1970s. In 1977 his biographer, Professor (now Lord) Skidelsky, edited a collection of essays which previously appeared in The Spectator, Lilley's essay, Two Critics of Keynes: Friedman and Hayek, was probably the best essay in the book. Lilley emerges as strongly influenced by the Austrian school of economists: he is more an Austrian than a Keynesian or a Friedmanite. In this essay he supports the Austrian analysis of the Great Depression, which biames it

believes that the resultant crisis was. perpetuated by attempts to resist the liquidation of discoordinated capital projects". That is a tough-minded

view of economic theory.

This Austrian view, known to English readers largely through the works of Hayek and von Mises, has a profound implication. When governments intervene to counteract economic trends, they are more than likely to make things worse. Minimal government intervention is not only justified on grounds of liberty, but also on the pragmatic grounds that most intervention does not work. I do not think Gordon Brown, or even Tony Blair, really believes that.

One should also look at the broad beliefs of most Conservative MPs. In the first round of the leadership election there were five candidates, four of whom were broadly supporters of Thatcherine principles, and one, Kenneth Clarke, who was broadly an opponent. To call the four Thatcherites would be a mistake; Thatcherism was a specific response to the situation as it existed in the 1970s and 1980s. Yet all four, William Hague, John Redwood, Peter Lilley and Michael Howard, are committed to the ideas which originally inspired Thatcherism. Kenneth Clarke is not. He is much more sympathetic to the statist and Europeanist ideas of Ted Heath.

In the first ballot, 115 votes were cast for the four, and 49 for Clarke; in

the final bailot, 92 votes were cast for Hague and 70 for Clarke. The Thatcherite" vote was therefore 70 per cent on the first ballot and still more than 55 per cent on the final ballot. The old principles have come back to dominate the Conservative Party, both in the House of Commons

and in the constituency associations. The leading anti-Thatcher figures of the 1992 Parliament were Michael Heseltine, Kenneth Clarke and Douglas Hurd. They all belonged to the Heath era. Under John Major they held the three senior offices of state, Deputy Prime Minister, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Foreign Secretary, for most of the time. Now they are gone. Two have retired from the front bench and the third from the Commons. The Heath generation has finally past, though it may still rumble a bit on the back benches.

Hague believes in smaller government, lower taxes and a cautious approach to Europe: Parkinson believes in freeing ordinary people from the power of the big battalions, particularly of state bureaucracy; Peter Lilley believes that the State does not know best. He has been influence by the Austrian school, with its emphasis on the superior information available to the market and on subjective expectation.

These three men all recognise their debt to Margaret Thatcher, without regarding her policy decisions of the 1980s as holy writ for the 21st century. They share an ideology of freedom and enterprise. They appeal to the same audience of the underprivileged middle class. They now have power in the Conservative Party; Hague is leader: Parkinson is chairman, Lilley is Shadow Chancellor responsible for policy. They will undoubtedly be loyal to each other and the party in Parliament and in the country will be loyal to them. As of last weekend, the Conservative Party again has a

## Blair's cavalry sets the pace

Labour is

defining the

battle lines for

Hague, says

Peter Riddell

illiam Hague's pros-pects as Conservative leader depend on whether a Third Way exists in reality as well as in rhetoric. This is not some bizarre New Age fad for the millennium, nor a reference to Mr Hague's practice of transcendental meditation. The Third Way is what Tony Blair calls his attempt to marry together an open, competitive and successful economy with a just, decent and humane society".

Alternatively, you could describe it as globalisation plus government with a social conscience. Mr Blair has defined the ideological battleground where Mr Hague will now try to rally and regroup his battered army.

Mr Hague and his new team face the same dilemma that Tory strategists did before the election: how to identify, and therefore fight, their enemy. Before May I, the Tories never settled on a coherent line about whether Labour was really "new" or "old". Mr Blair eluded them then, through his abandonment of past Labour policies on the trade unions, spending and taxes, and by his embrace of the free market and his pm-family and tough-on-crime

Since May 1. Tory spokesmen have been torn between gleefully detecting the reappearance of "old" Labour and recognising that new Labour exists. The Tories denounced the Amsterdam treaty as a sell-out of British interests, when it is really a minimalist exercise presented as a success by Mr Blair in familiar Tory terms of resisting further European

So it is daft to pretend that the Blair Government has reverted to the practices of past Labour administra-



tions. Remember, the first 18 months of the Wilson Government in 1974-75 were dominated by a series of costly concessions to the unions, battles with business over proposals for extensive intervention and big increases in public spending and taxes. But since May 1, the Government has actively courted industry, appointing businessmen to key posts, and has underlined its anti-inflation creden-tials by making the Bank of England responsible for setting interest rates.
There have, of course, been mud-

dled signals and inconsistencies particularly over some crudely populist attacks on pay rises at Camelot and profits at other utilities. But the Government quickly defused the row over Camelot and sought to reassure business that it would not be interfering in their decisions. Moreover, the performance of some privatised utili-

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ries, notably water, is inadequate. in a recent issue of the New Statesman, John Lloyd attempted to along a Right-to-Left spectrum. There has been a spread. fitting Mr Blair's "what works" pragmatism. For instance, the phasing out of the Assisted Places Scheme and the scrapping of nursery vouchers have been balanced by tough action against failing schools, and poor teachers, that have been opposed by the unions. It is harder to put labels on other initiatives, such as the attempt to revive the Private Finance Initiative and to extend private-public partnerships across the range of social, environmental and transport policies, and the shift from a redistributive approach to welfare to an emphasis more on reducing the barriers to work. Much of this builds on policies launched by the Tories.

The Tories should concentrate on questioning whether the Blair Government can achieve its new goals: whether they are called "new" Labour, the radical centre or the Third Way. Or whether, as David Willetts has argued. Labour is trying to have the best of both worlds in seeking to be both tough and caring. The Tories should challenge Labour on its own terms: whether it can meet in office the expenditure targets it accepted in Opposition in the face of of pressure from its supporters and MPs to spend

Peter Lilley, the new Shadow Chancellor, has questioned whether Labour will be able, as it claims, to finance extra spending on education

from savings on welfare. Spending will be the critical test for Labour, even if there has to be some shortterm increase in the unrealistically tight Tory budgets for health and

More broadly, the Tories should question whether Labour can really deliver a more competitive economy late and make labour markets more ilenible. Differences of approach and instinct between Mr Blair and his allies and some "old" Labour departmental ministers have yet to be

resolved here.
All parties like to create a distance between themselves and their opponents—the "clear blue water" that the Tory Right sought before the election. But just because Labour has adopted some Tory language, and policies, that does not mean it makes sense for Mr Hague to lurch off in a radical direction. That is a misreadwhy the Tories lost on May I

f course, there is ample scope for fresh thinking. on taxation, the running and financing of public services and welfare. However, the Tories should be wary of American parallels: as my colleague Tim Harnes and the political scientist Alan Grant argue in a new Social Market Foundation paper, it is wrong to draw too close a comparison with the Republican experience since 1992. Some ideas, like a single income tax rate, are worth considering, but the interesting ideas on welfare and crime are more at a state and local than a federal level.

The Tories will gain nothing from a self-obsessed search for ideological purity, or from taking premature positions on Europe and devolution where much may change. Their problem is to regain public confidence and trust - just as they did in the late 1940s and Labour did over 18

This does not mean the Tories should merely accept what the Blair Government does. But it does mean recognising that the political land-scape is being reshaped by Labour in its search for the Third Way - and its success or failure will largely determine the Tory alternative.

## Damp demo

THE torrential rain has dampened proceedings on what must surely be London's most fashionable picket line. Led by Margaret Drabble and her husband Michael Holroyd, and backed by such wellknown authors as Fay Weldon. Antonia Fraser and Harold Pinter. the ultimate in highbrow demonstrations takes place each Monday evening outside the Iranian Embassy at Prince's Gate, Kensington. The siege, however, does not require the attentions of the SAS.



PEN friend: Michael Holroyd

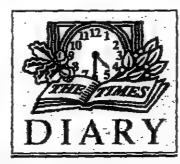
being a non-violent protest against the detention and impending trial of Faraj Sarkoohi, an Iranian writer and editor of the cultural magazine Adineh, held on charges of spying and adultery.

The bookish demonstrators, all

members of PEN, the writers' organisation which campaigns for freedom of expression, have put aside their typewriters for placards and banners, fearing a fate for Mr Sarkoohi similar to that of Ken Saro-Wiwa's, the Nigerian author executed by his Government two years ago.

Levels of morale differ among the encamped. "You leel that these people are laughing at you," says Fay Weldon. There is very little you can do - we just walk up and down on the other side of the road while they take pictures from the embassy. Michael Holroyd is more optimistic "On one of our first afternoons there we noticed that the embassy's flag had been lowered. Good God, they've surrendered," we thought. Later it transpired that the flag was brought down because the staff were going home."

As for the weather, the protesters



keep their spirits up by munching on Iranian sweets. They cheer us up when it's raining," says

#### Sword play

FINALLY, an answer to that nasty social conundrum, what to do with the Sword of State when visiting Buckingham Palace. Writing in By Royal Command, a forelock-tugging new book of accounts of service in the Royal Household published by Peter Owen. Admiral Sir Desmond Dreyer, Gentleman Usher to the Sword of State, 1973-1980, remembers his first State Opening of Parliament: "I asked what I should do with the sword when I got back to Buckingham Palace. 'Oh,' I was told. 'you leave it on the billiard table... I could

imagine the embarrassing headline if it was mislaid: 'Admiral says be left it on Billiard Table.' However, all was well, and on each occasion, when the ceremonial was completed. I and others were invited to have a glass of sherry with Her Majesty."

• Sobering news for William Hague and his fresh-faced followers from William Hill. Minutes after Hague's victory in the leadership contest on Thursday, the odds on the Tories winning the next general election were lengthened from 5-4 to 6-1. Worse was to come when Lord Parkinson was resurrected as party chairman: the odds promptly hit a record low of 7-4.

#### Lofty ideal

FOLIAGE of a certain kind has always been high on the agenda for those who attend the Glastonbury Festival but next weekend the event's organiser will be encourag-ing the 100.000 partygoers to invest in a tree each. The idea is part of a project to plant two new oak and larch foresis in Britain.

Dan Morell, of the Future Forests campaign, has recruited Michael Eavis, the Glastonbury Festival organiser, as well as pop stars Sting. Simon le Bon and Dave

Stewart to his cause. Morell said: "It is a world first. The object is to plant one tree for everybody that attends. By doing so the trees will absorb over 20,000 tons of carbon in the atmosphere. We have two sites: one near the Mendips in Somerset and one near the Avort Meed roundabout, Bristol."

## Pax facts

FROM the left-wing weekly Tribune comes a dark tale from the past of Jeremy Paxman. Newsnight's grand inquisitor, It



seems that in 1982, Paxman applied to edit the New Statesman magazine on a platform of bringing back good writing. At the time Paxman, according to Tribune, was an active member of the National Union of Journalists, in favour of the abolition of the House of Lords and a self-proclaimed socialist. New Labour's new ministers might care to bear all this in mind the next time Paxman decides to turn up the

## Old hound

A FIGUREHEAD has emerged to champion the cause of huntsmen living in fear of impending antifieldsports legislation. The corpulent frame and ruddy face of Sir Stephen Hastings, ex-long-serving Tory MP and Second World War SAS hero, has risen head and shoulders above the scarlet coats and silk caps of the rest of the prohunting field. Not only will Sir Stephen be orchestrating the British Field Sport Society's July 10 assault on Hyde Park in protest against what he describes as "the ceaseless persecution of the countryside and its ways" but, in defiant mood as Joint Master of the Fitzwilliam Hunt, he has recently advertised for a new head groom. It is yet to be seen whether Sir Stephen's cousin

Max Hasings, Editor of the Evening Standard, will endorse his campaign.

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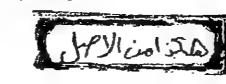
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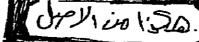


Longford: what's in a name?

a brief fit of amnesia yesterday. While delivering a letter of support to Jonathan Aitken's house in Lord North Street, Westminster, the patron peer of lost causes went unre-cognised by the waiting paparazzi. When he was asked his name, he replied "Lord Lucan".



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## THE TORY TEAM

Radicalism and reassurance mark the Hague Shadow Cabinet

William Hague has shown a capacity intellectual territory with policies framed to simultaneously to surprise and reassure fit new challenges. The Tories must look to with his Shadow Cabinet. The recall of Lord Parkinson and Sir Norman Fowler as well as the promotion of lain Duncan Smith was as unexpected by them as it was unpredicted by outsiders, but the mix of appointments has something to hearten most strands within the party. The team assembled will not be the next Tory government, but it is capable of making the Conservatives' even-

tual return to power a reality.

The appointment of Lord Parkinson as Party Chairman 16 years after he first took on the role may seem incongruous from a leader who promised a "fresh start", but it could be a shrewd deployment. The scale of party reorganisation that Mr Hague envisages will unsettle many Tories. Although party members will be grateful for a larger say in the choice of leader and policy there could be resistance to the necessary sacrifice of autonomy by constituency associations. The affection in which Lord Parkinson is held by activists allows him to play a role similar to John Prescott's in Labour's modernisation, as the guarantor to the grass roots that their instincts will be protected.

The appointments of Peter Lilley as Shadow Chancellor with responsibility for policy development and Iain Duncan Smith as Shadow Social Security Secretary seem to provide another guarantee — the Opposition looks determined to make the next election a battle of ideas. Shallow analysis of the Shadow Cabinet's composition has concentrated on a perceived victory for "the Right" but it would be more appropriate to think of it as a gain for radicalism.

The Tory party's recovery after defeat in 1945 and 1974 depended on a return to principles of economic liberalism balanced by an openness to changing social trends. Rather than pitching camp on the centreground, the Tories sought to colonise virgin

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shift, not to the Right as such, but towards solutions for popular concerns which emphasise choice. Mr Hague has, privately, entertained radical thoughts on education and his libertarian instincts could be an effective foil to the Government.

Mr Lilley's record in office proved he can change the terms of debate on difficult issues. Mr Duncan Smith proved himself one of the most original minds on the back benches in the last Parliament. In the shrunken parliamentary party they are the obvious policy pathfinders.

They have a natural ally in David Willetts, and it is a pity there is no place for him in the Shadow Cabinet. Francis Maude, John Maples and Alastair Goodlad are able men but Mr Willetts is possessed of one of the most fertile intellects in his party. Aside from his omission, the most notable deficiency is the paucity of women. Given the strength of Labour's female ministers it is to be hoped that Gillian Shephard is quickly joined at the Shadow Cabinet table by talented colleagues such as Angela Browning.

The decision not to appoint Shadow Welsh and Scottish Secretaries but make Michael Ancram the spokesman on the constitution is a sensitive response to the Tories' annihilation outside England. Mr Ancram is a sure-footed sherpa on the contours of the British constitution. His appointment is also an indication that, even though devolution will be opposed, the Tories are giving thought to how to adjust to its likely implementation when the offices of Scottish and Welsh Secretary will lose much of their weight. Faced with a purposeful Government sustained by a huge majority the Tories will find it difficult in most areas to make much of an impact, but the team Mr Hague has chosen is capable of mounting a

#### **MILE-HIGH SUMMIT**

America's infectious optimism produced solid results

Few cities in America have done more to pull themselves out of recession than Denver. In the mid-1980s Denver was a byword for the collapse of the local energy and defence industries. Today it is thriving as never before - a showcase for America's boom in electronics, financial services and communications. It was appropriate, therefore, that President Clinton chose the Rocky Mountain city for this year's annual gathering of the Group of Seven leading industrial countries, now extended to include Russia and renamed the Summit of Eight. The leaders seemed to be influenced by the optimistic philosophy of the aptly named Mile High City.

In both the economic field, where a landmark agreement on mutual recognition of standards and qualifications was signed between America and the European Union. and in such contentious foreign policy issues as Hong Kong, Iran and Bosnia, this summit produced significant results.

President Clinton can claim considerable credit. The main achievements of his Presidency have been economic. Even such passionate advocates of the European economic model as Helmut Kohl and Jacques Santer showed signs of recognising the potency of the American economic formula based on competitive markets, modest government spending and a monetary policy designed to foster economic expansion and allow the creation of jobs.

Politically, the summit's main achievements was to bring Russia into the community of western nations. President Clinton unilaterally decided to reward Russia with virtual full membership of the world's most influential gathering as thanks for President Yeltsin's signature of the Russia-Nato accord. The politics of inclusion paid off in at least three areas where Moscow might have blocked progress.

Russia had no quibble with a strong statement on Hong Kong that was welcome to Tony Blair. This was a clear reminder to Beijing that the world will be watching its. behaviour, especially on human rights, after July 1. The leaders also looked forward to democratic elections for a new legislature as soon as possible — a clear hint that China must urgently seek legitimacy for Hong Kong's new government. The declaration on Iran was also tougher

than expected, calling on Tehran to respect human rights and renounce terrorism. Russia, which has done profitable business equipping Iran's nuclear industry, endorsed the call on all states to avoid helping Iran to acquire nuclear weapons capabilities. And similarly on Iraq, where Moscow has chafed at continuing sanctions, Mr Yeltsin agreed that only "full compliance" with UN resolutions would allow the lifting of sanctions. The summit negotiations also yielded an understanding that Moscow would not veto a tough UN response to Iraq's harassment of UN weapons

Less was achieved at the summit on the environment and carbon dioxide emissions. although this was supposed to be a key item on the agenda. America, Japan and Canada are still unwilling to to meet tough new commitments. Summits often suffer from excessive quibbling about communiqué language. Denver was no exception. But behind the flaccid language some important commitments were made.

## **RIGHT TO KNOW**

Releasing documents early is desirable, but has its drawbacks

Historians and civil libertarians will instinctively welcome the Government's idea of releasing state papers for public inspection after 20 years or less, instead of the 30-year delay imposed by the Public Records Act. But like most items of good news which emanate from the government machine, this one will come with numerous strings, not to say red tapes, attached. There is an obvious public interest in exposing the inner workings of government to scrutiny and reaching objective conclusions about important historical events. But against these advantages, there have always been three main objections to the early release of documents.

The problems become obvious if we reflect that a 20-year rule would only just have govered the length of the last Tory Government and would not even have spanned the frontbench careers of such leading ministers as Michael Heseltine and Kenneth Clarke or, for that matter, the recently reinstated Lord Parkinson. It would certainly be entertaining to know exactly what Baroness Thatcher thought about Lord Parkinson's private life or what Mr Heseltine and Sir Leon Brittan said about each other in Cabinet during the Westland affair. However, the disclosure of such information when the key participants are still public

figures does have its drawbacks. First, early release can have an intimidating effect on the people within government. If ministers and civil servants know that their confidential advice and off-the-cuff comments are going to be emblazoned in

newspaper headlines while they are still in public life, they may become less imaginative and more cautious in the views they express. Secondly, there is the danger that official documents will become less honest. as minute-takers censor potentially embarrassing oral comments. Such selfcensorship would make all official documents less useful, not only to the government machine, but also to historians.

Thirdly, and perhaps most seriously, the release of most documents after a short waiting period might only encourage those that are genuinely controversial and interesting to be held back as "exceptionally sensitive". At present senior civil servants sift documents scheduled for release under the 30-year rule and hold back thsoe deemed exceptionally sensitive for 50 or 75. Indeed, according to Lord Armstrong, the Cabinet Secretary, there will always be some documents so sensitive that they can never be released - not even in 100 years' time. It is easy to imagine the piles of supposedly ultra-sensitive documents growing like Topsy if the 30-year rule were removed.

These arguments do not add up to a case against reducing the present 30-year limit. Indeed, there are counter-arguments to all the objections - not least the propensity of ministers and civil servants to keep private diaries and then spill the beans once they leave power. On balance, the benefits of reducing the 30-year wait for public documents exceed the drawbacks. But any new legislation must be carefully designed.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Amsterdam treaty

From the Foreign Secretary

Sir, I was surprised to read your lead-ing article, "Half the story" (June 19), which was critical of the outcome of

the Amsterdam summit.

The outcome of the inter-governmental conference was good for Britain and Europe, not least because it addresses issues which make a real difference to people's lives. Winning legal security for maintaining our frontier controls was a prize which successive Conservative Govern-ments failed to achieve. We also agreed arrangements which will strengthen our co-operation against international crime.

The treaty contains concrete new provisions on employment, environmental protection, combating discri-mination, and beating fraud. It will help Europe act more effectively on the world stage. And it will give teeth to the principle of subsidiarity ensuring that action is only taken at European level when that is needed,

We have protected British interests in areas where some of our partners originally wanted to go further than we thought wise, notably on defence where the treaty confirms that our defence policy rests firmly on Nato. And we have preserved Britain's veto in all key areas - including foreign policy and in new flexible arrangements by which smaller groups of member

states can co-operate together.
Contrary to The Times's view, I suspect that such arrangements will be used rarely. The arrival of a new Labour Government with a constructive approach to Europe makes it much less likely that Europe will risk weakening the single market and other shared policies by splitting into different groups.

What you saw in Amsterdam was the federalists and integrationists, who reached their peak when a Conservative Prime Minister was at Maastricht, in retreat. I was surprised this did not find favour with The Times. The old European obsession with institutional mechanics is giving way to a new agenda which reconnects with our citizens' lives. Amsterdam showed that the new British Government is in the lead in moving Europe forward to meet the new

Yours faithfully, ROBIN COOK. Foreign & Commonwealth Whitehall, SWI.

From the Director of Justice

Sir, The Home Secretary is correct in implying that the question of border control and the development of common policies on immigration and asylum are divisible ("Britain is no longer borderline", June 19). However, although it is clear that the UK is to maintain the former, it is not yet clear to what extent it is to play a part in developing the latter.

As a result of the new Amsterdam treaty provision, common immigration and asylum policies are going to develop within Community law for the first time. The danger is that they will reflect the lowest common denominator of states' current practice. Those policies will in practice affect the UK, even if it opts out. But the UK will not be able to influence the policies, unless it opts in. Only by participating in the process can the new Government play a part in developing fair and effective procedures throughout the EU in this sensitive area.

Nor is there any reason for the UK to remain so negative about the role of the European Court of Justice in matters such as European policing agreements. Currently, for example, the UK is the only country not to accept the court's role in interpreting the Europol convention, which establishes an EU-wide police intelligence database.

Such agreements, which affect the rights of citizens of all member states, cannot satisfactorily be interpreted by domestic courts alone. The European Court, as a supervisory higher court, has a vital role in ensuring uniform application of common policies in accordance with international human rights standards.

Yours faithfully. ANNE OWERS. Director, Justice, 59 Carter Lane, EC4.

## Commons crèche

From Mr T. J. Elliott Sir, Yet again Labour MPs campaign

to close the excellent rifle range in the House of Commons (report, June 10) and to turn it into a creche. Certainly when I shot there in the

early 1980s it was the sort of subterranean place which Edgar Allan Poe. would have chosen for walling up his cat. Edward II would, without doubt, have preferred Berkeley Castle - if given the choice.

Would any council in the UK authorise it for such usage?

Yours faithfully. TIMOTHY ELLIOTT (National Rifle Association Chief National Coach (Target Rifle), 1988-95), Haynes West End, Bedfordshire.

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## 'Challenges' of the PM's go-ahead for Greenwich dome

From Mr Allen Levy

Sir, Your editorial today, "Millennium gamble", referring to Mr Blair's seemingly unilateral decision to proceed with the Greenwich project, confers on him the accolade of being a

I suggest that committing more than half a billion pounds to an illdefined exhibition is extremely "cavalier". To suggest that £200 million taken from the National Lottery is not "public money" flies in the face of the opinions (and pockets) of all those in the regions for whom the junketings at Greenwich will be irrelevant.

Some transparency on how the funding gap might be bridged, in a worst-case scenario, might have been in order before hoisting the circus

Yours faithfully, ALLEN LEVY. 3 Stanley Gardens, Wll.

From Admiral of the Fleet Lord Lewin

Sir, I regret the decision to proceed with the Greenwich Millennium Festival.

Comparisons have been made to the 1951 Festival of Britain. Then the country was emerging from more than ten years of wartime and postwar austerity. Petrol and food were still rationed. The nation needed an uplift. The circumstances today are entirely different. Is there really public support for the expenditure of £500 million, perhaps £800 million. on the erection of a vast ephemeral plastic tent, the interior attractions of which remain vague? It is claimed that its life can be extended, but for how long, for what use and for what cost? And how will it look in 300 years'

Well before the millennium, that part of Greenwich which embraces the Royal Park, the old Royal Observatory (the origin of the Greenwich Meridian), the National Maritime Museum and the Royal Naval College is likely to be declared a World Heritage Site with the title "Maritime Greenwich". How much better to spend a small proportion of the money projected for the festival, say £100 million, on a major and imagi-native refurbishment of this important part of our heritage, so that coming generations may enjoy it for the next thousand years.

Yours sincerely, LEWIN, House of Lords. June 20.

From Mr Ivor Hall

Sir, I believe the Prime Minister's decision to go ahead with the Greenwich exhibition (report, June 20) has been based not on logic but heart and the influence of those who are "organising" it. I think it is a decision he

will soon regret.

Michael Heseltine's decision to hold the exhibition on a windswept peninsula in the middle of nowhere in the outer suburbs of London, serviced by a single Underground station, was a recipe for disaster from day one, Nothing has happened since that day to change that view,

There is no way, when the likes of the Corporation of London withdraw their £6 million support, that the con-siderable shortfall in funds will ever be made up from the commercial world; and the shutting out of the regions will make those outside London less likely to contribute.

It is very sad that the groundswell of opinion against the Greenwich extravaganza has been ignored and we must now accept the possibility that our national celebratory exhibition will be designed and constructed from outside the UK (report, later editions,

Yours faithfully, IVOR HALL (Architect and exhibition designer). 29 Erskine Hill, NW11.

From Mr David Lockwood

Sir, The Government should have killed two birds with one stone (and saved money) by cancelling the Greenwich exhibition but funding the Stonehenge project (letters, June 18). One is ephemeral and risky, the other near-eternal and certain.

Yours faithfully. DAVID LOCKWOOD. II Dale Street. Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. lockwood@dircon.co.uk June 18.

## Police discipline

From Mr Keir Steel

Sir, In a recently broadcast television interview the Police Complaints Authority and senior managers in the police service called for a lowering of the burden of proof in cases of police discipline. They appeared to argue that this will assist in fighting corruption. I regard this as nothing short of a "cop-out".

The public need to know that corrupt officers are being properly dealt with and do not just lose their job. The police need to know that corruption, indeed any breach of the law, will be fully investigated. Those who are convicted can be dismissed under discipline code 16 of the police discipline regulations. The police also need to know that a discipline system protects them from those who make unfounded complaints, and allows the evidence to be properly tested. Like all honest police officers, 1

but it should be fought within the criminal system and not be allowed to become a catalyst in reducing the level of protection which the discipline of burden of proof gives police officers. There is only one way to deal with corrupt police officers: to investigate, arrest and place them before the

KEIR STEEL, (Member, Metropolitan Police Joint Executive Committee), Police Federation, Harold Scott House, I Birchfield Street, EI4.

## **BBC World Service**

From Mr Jeffrey Dudgeon

Sir. Listening to the BBC World Service on a recent visit to Moscow, and hearing the complaints of English speakers in that city concerning the dull and repetitive fare presently on offer, made me wonder just what John Tusa and other nomenklatura of the old Bush House regime were getting so exercised about (letter, June 13). Their view that "Radio 4 programmes sound parochial and irrelevant to the (world) audience" is indicative of their confused belief that audiences want something differently British or preferably not British at all. BBC bosses presumably remain

frightened of majoring on Britain for fear of being seen as chauvinist. In fact, I believe their audience is desperate to hear about what is going on here and that rebroadcasting Radio 4 would double audiences. The recent election was a case in point: Russians told me they would have appreciated the detail and drama of the momentby-moment UK coverage and were instead provided with edited highlights.

Most foreign listeners to the English language World Service want to improve their English and learn about Britain, not to hear details about their own country which they read the day before in the local press.

Yours sincerely. JEFFREY DUDGEON, 56 Mount Prospect Park, Belfast.

#### Speaking up for art

From the Director of the National Museums and Galleries on Merseyside

Sir, Amid the furore over single-sex shortlists and, this year, not a painting in sight, comment on the Turner Prize (report and article, June 18), might suggest that no one else is trying to showcase British contemporary art. Not so. The John Moores Liverpool Ex-

hibition remains the outstanding biennial open exhibition of contemporary British painting. Founded 40 years ago by Sir John Moores. of Littlewoods fame, it has given early recognition to now famous artists such as David Hockney, R. B. Kitaj, John Bratby, Lucian Freud, Euan Uglow and Peter Doig.

At the Walker Art Gallery from November 7 the jury-selected exhibition will again reveal some of the most interesting developments in contemporary painting. There is an open submission by thousands of entrants. The prize money is as generous as the Turner, with £20,000 for the winner and £1,000 for each of ten runners-up.

Painting is definitely alive and well and the show at the Walker in November should not be missed. Yours sincerely,

RICHARD FOSTER, Director, National Museums and Galleries on Merseyside, William Brown Street, Liverpool 3. June 20.

## Tory hobbits

From Ms Amanda Craig

Sir, Charming though his essay is on Mr Clarke and hobbitry (June 20), I must take issue with Philip Howard over his comments on Tolkien, and Lord of the Rings. There are those of us - yea, even literary critics - who not only admire this work but know it rather better than he appears to do.

It is simply not true that, with the exception of Galadriel, his female characters "stayed at home, cooking supper". Tolkien created two other memorable females: Eowyn, the warrior maiden who disguises herself as a

knight and, in an act of spectacular courage, kills the Chief Nazgul; and Shelob, the gigantic old spider who numbs her prey, then ties them up to

drain at leisure. It is all too easy to see who Shelob is

- she appeared this week with a new morsel twitching in her web. The question is whether, in Mr Howard's fantasy, there will ever be an Eowyn in the Tory party. To judge by the number of women MPs on their side of the House, the chances are slim indeed.

Yours sincerely AMANDA CRAIG, 20 Falkland Road, NW5.

#### Use of English by Indian writers

From Mr R. K. D. Shah

Sir. Unlike all the other Indian writers in English mentioned in your leader today V. S. Naipaul, though undoubtedly of Indian origin, was not born in India. Indeed, apart from two or three of his celebrated works, most of his writing (fiction, travel, essays) is not even about India, though the Indian diaspora does feature in it.

It is not surprising therefore that he chose, as Salman Rushdie mentioned in Start the Week on BBC Radio 4 last Monday, to exclude himself from The Vintage Book of Indian Writing, 1947-1997 just published, edited by Rushdie himself.

To the descendants of Indian emigres to Africa, the Caribbean and Pacific regions, many of whom have since settled in the UK, America and Australasia, while India remains the ancestral homeland, their own alienation from it varies from one country or community to another in terms of

time and space. To those of us, like Naipaul, who are two or three generations removed from India, the links are increasingly more imagined than real. This is reflected in the language in which we think, write, speak and even dream. For most it is English but not, alas, of the same variety as the new "Indo-Anglian" phenomenon that is reportedly gripping the American literary

In this context, people of Indian descent in and from the countries of the now defunct British Empire are different from those who emanate directly from the sub-continent.

Yours truly, RAMNIK SHAH, Preuveneers & Co. Elm House, 113-115 London Road, Mitcham, Surrey. June 19.

From Dr Manjulicka Bahl

Sir, Many more persons in India are fluent in English today than before independence and the explosion in the field of information technology is creating an increasing demand for them.

Not only is there a heavy rush for admissions to the expensive, Englishmedium private schools in the cities but during the course of our charity work in rural India my husband and I have had several requests, both from village elders and from young persons, to assist the children of the region to learn English.

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Although political sentiments over the past fifty years have been responsible for relegating English to the ouna in the school curriculun especially in northern India, people at the grass roots are becoming increasingly aware that in order to make headway in the job market at a national level a knowledge of English is becoming essential.

Yours sincerely, M. BAHL. 19 The Moorings, St Johns Road, Eastbourne, Sussex. June 20.

## Oxbridge tourism

From Mr William Davies

Sir, I am amazed that the authorities at Sidney Sussex College did not congratulate their undergraduates, at least this once, for their spirited protest against the rising invasion of tourist buses (reports, June 17, 21).

We city residents along the bus route endure grinding gears and blaring commentary all year round. while in summer weather first-floor living quarters are peered at from only a handshake away from the upper deck up to eight times an hour: mealtimes can become something of a mutual spectator sport. The street noise is intolerable. We are told that the whole opera-

tion confers local financial benefits. and no doubt even greater rewards to the streetwise bus operators. But surely this is one tourist intrusion which local authorities might reasonably have barred from these historic and tragile streets, which are already choked with too much noise and

Yours truly. WILLIAM DAVIES, 115 King Street, Cambridge.

#### Recipe for change

From Mr John Junkin

Sir, In today's letters, Mr Alfred Norris asks whether, now the renewal of his television licence is due, it would be cheaper for him to buy a cookery book.

It would, Sir; and it would expose one to an infinitely smaller number of

Yours faithfully. JOHN JUNKIN, Juson's Glebe, Wendover, Buckinghamshire. June 18.

From Mr lan Yates

Sir, The purchase of a cookery book would not, of itself, obviate Mr Norris's need to renew his television licence - unless he were to read it in a veterinary surgeon's waiting room or hospital casualty department.

Yours faithfully. I. YATES, The Hollies, York Road, Naburn, York. June 19.

Forthcoming -

marriages

Mr R. Abdi .....and.Miss N. Allali

of Larache, Morocco.

and Miss J.E. Marlow

The engagement is announced between Joseph, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Doran, of Hobart, Tasmania, and Jenny, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Marlow, of

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Canon John Kelly
The Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University attended a memorial service for the life and work of Canon John Norman Davidson Kelly, Canon of Chichester and former Principal of St Edmund Hall, held on Saturday at the University Church of St Mary the Virgin. The Rev John Cowdrey officiated.

The Rev Thomas Davidson Kelly and Sir Stephen Tumin, Principal of St Edmund Hall, read the Jessons. The Rev John McManmers and Mr Reginald Alton gave addresses.

Sir David Hildyard

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## **COURT CIRCULAR**

ST JAMES'S PALACE

June 21: The Prince of Wales this morning departed from Royal Air Force Northolt for a two day visit to Norway.

His Royal Highness visited Trondheim University to inaugurate a British Science and Technology Scholarship to mark the millen-nium of the City of Trondheim. The Prince of Wales later attended the Birthday celebrations of The King and Queen of Norway. Mr Nicholas Archer is in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE

June 21: The Duke of Gloucester today visited Cornwall and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant, the Lady Mary Holborow).

His Royal Highness this morning opened the new permanent class-room at Delabole Primary School, Delabole, and this afternoon, as Grand Prior, the Order of St John. Anniversary celebrations of the St John Cadets and the Tenth Anniversary celebrations of the St John Badgers at Trewithen,

WINDSOR CASTLE June 22: The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron of the Caravan Club, this

morning visited the Sandringham Estate Caravan Club Site, Norfolk. ST JAMES'S PALACE June 22: The Prince of Wales this evening arrived at Royal Air Force

Mr Nicholas Archer was in anendance.

**KENSINGTON PALACE** June 22: The Duke of Gloucester, Patron. Normandy Veterans Association, accompanied by The Duchess of Gloucester, today attended the Annual Parade and Service on Horse Guards and later laid a Wreath at the Cenolaph. Whitehall. London SWI.

Royal engagement

The Duke of Kent, President, the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, will open the new Number I Court on the opening day of the Wimbledon champion

Luncheon

Lard Mayor of Westminster The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster were the hosts at a luncheon held yesterday at Westminster City Hall after the annual civic service in Westminster Abbey.

## Nature notes

The woodcock

There are many young hedgesparrows about in gardens and country lanes: most of them are of uncertain parentage, since the males and females are very promis-

cuous. Young greenfinches are making loud squealing noises in the depths of bushes. The first young coots of the season are growing bigger: they now have grey plumage with silvery

throats. Most of the commoner warblers are still in song blackcaps, garden warbiers, willow warblers and chiffchaffs. However, the chiffchaff's song has changed, and it now makes little throatclearing sounds between its usual clinking notes. Woodcocks fly around the woods

just before sunset with slow wing-beats to advertise their ownership of their territory: they patrol regular routes, and as they go they make sharp clicking sounds interspersed with soft

croaks. The purple flowers of mallow are common everywhere, and the first pink spires of rosebay willow-herb are breaking into blossom. Hemlock is up to 6 ft

tall: it has white flower heads. and purple blotches on the stalk. A sweet scent rises from the ditches where the creamy flowers of meadowsweet have opened. The first comma butterflies are out they have ragged orange wings with a silver comma on the undersides



re-enactment regiments for a parade at St Paul's Cathedral, London, yesterday. The parade began a week of events organised by English Heritage to mark the 100th anniversary of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee

#### Birthdays today

Mr S.M. Andrews, former Headmaster, Clifton College, 65; Mr Kim Begley, tenor, 45; Professor N. G. Bowery, pharmacologist, 53: the Very Rev Professor Henry Chadwick, KBE, former Master, Peterhouse, Cambridge, 77: Mr Nicholas Cleobury, conductor, 47; Sir Devid Crouch, former MP, 78; Mr A. M. Davies, chairman, Simon Engineering, 63: Professor Sir John Ellion, FBA, historian, 67; Miss Carolyn Ellis, explorer, 38; the Right Rev Lord Habgood. 70: Sir Alan Haselhurst, MP, 60: Mr Str Alan Fraschurst, MP, Ot. Mr Julian Hipwood, polo player, St. Lord Irvine of Lairg, Lord Chancellor, 57; Miss Miriam Karlin, actress, 72; Admiral Sir Horace Law, 86; Mr Robert Litherland, former MP, 67; Lord Justice Millett, 65; Lord Newall, 67; Mr. Arme Chanter History 67; Mrs Arme Owers, director, Justice, 50; Miss Karen Potter, fashion designer, 38; Mr John Prebble, writer, 82; Professor Sir Martin Rees, FRS, astronomer, 55; Professor Isaac Schapera, anthropologist, 92: Professor Lord Soulsby of Swaffham Prior, 71: the Right Rev K.N. Sutton, Bishop of Lichfield, 63; Mr Anthony Thwaite, poet, 67; Colonel J.B.

Timmins, Lord-Lieutenant of Greater Manchester, 65: Miss

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The Oratory Preparatory School:
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Preparatory School.

Exhibition: G.B. Nash, The Oratory
Preparatory School. H.D.F. Coade.

Hasicutere Preparatory

Mr Peter Attenburough, former headmaster of Charterhouse and a founder governor of Haslemen Preparatory School Trust, on Monday, June 16, laid the foundation stone for the new classrooms building. Heights old boys or past parents who would like details of the Appeal Fund please contact the hear Certil Morrison, on 01428-642350.

Wycliffe College

The Council of Governors has appointed as Headmaster Dr R.A. Collins, MA(Cantab). DPhil(Oxon), currently Second Master at Stowe School, Bucking-hamshire, to succeed Mr David Prichard, MA, from April 1, 1998.

Appointment

RENTALS

Mr Francis Cornish has been appointed the first Consul-General to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region from July 1.

#### Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John Fell, Bishop of Oxford 1675-86, Longworth, Berkshire, 1625; Giambanista Vicu, philosopher, Naples, 1668: Anna Akhmatuva, poet, Boeshoy Fontan, Ukraine, 1989; the Duke of Windsor, sometime King Edward VIII. reigned January 20, 1936 to December II. 1936, White Lodge, Richmond Park, 1894; Jean Anouille, dramatist, Bordeaux,

DEATHS: Henry Hudson, navigator, cast advitt by mutineers in the bay bearing his name, 1611; Mark Akenside, poet and physician, London, 1770: Sir James Hall, geologist, Edinburgh, 1832:
James Mill, Utilitarian
philosopher, London, 1836; Lady
Hester Stanhope, traveller and
eccentric, Djounl, Mount
Lebanon, 1839; Patrick Chalmers,
antiquary, Rome, 1854; Cecil James
Chalmers, antiquary, Rome, 1854; Cecil James Sharp, musician, founder of the English Folk Dance Society, London, 1924; Sir Charles Oman, historian, Oxford, 1946.

British troops under Robert Clive defeated the Nawab of Bengal at the Bartle of Plassey, 1757. Adolphe Sax was awarded a patent for the saxophone, 1848. Gamai Abdel Nasser was elected President of Egypt, 1956.

## **Marriages**

Mr B. Wightman and Lady Rebecca Murray The marriage took place on Saturday in Dunkeld Catheral of Mr Ben Wightman to Lady Rebecca Murray. The Very Rev Professor Robin Barbour, KCVO. The engagement is announced between Rashid, youngest son of Mr and Mrs H Abdi, of Oujda, Morocco, and Nora, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs M Aliali,

Mr A.P. Allfrey Mr A.P. AHITCY
and Miss M.V. Swire
The marriage took place on
Saturday at the Church of the Holy
Rood, Sparsholt, Oxfordshire, of
Mr Alexander Allirey, son of Mr Mr Alexander Allfrey and of Mrs Susanna Allfrey, to Miss Martha Swire, daughter of Sir Adrian and Lady Judith Swire. The Rev Adrian Hopwood officiated.

Mr R.P. Byrne . and wass s.c. serows
The engagement is announced
between Andrew, elder son of
Mr and Mrs Sidney Jolley, and
Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and
Mrs Jeremy Brown, all of West
Kirby, Wirral. and Dr V.R. Lyell and Dr V.R. Lyell
The marriage took place on
Saturday at St Leonards.
Flamstead, Hertfordshire, of Mr
Robert Byrne, son of Mrs Nathan
Harrell-Bond to Dr Veronica
Lyell, elder daughter of Str
Nicholas and Lady Lyell. The Rev
David Kerr officiated

Mr J.C.C. Whentered and Miss L.M. Pairclough The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Whenterott. Mr N.W. Angus and Dr J.E. Koch of Ockley, Surrey, and Lisa, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Pairclough, of Tilford, Surrey.

amond the control of the church of All Saints, North Cerney.
Gloucestershire, of Mr. Nicholas Angus, younger son of Sir Michael and Lady Angus, of North Cerney, to Dr Janet Koch, daughter of Mr and Mrs Barry Koch, of Bearsden, Glasgow, The Rev H. Cocks officiated. Brigadier: B D Wheelwright — To SVC Advier Patienn. 12.6.97. Colonet D A Tickner MASS AKC — to HQ SP COMU (Germany), 9.4.97. Colone: DA Tickner MBS AKC — to HQ SP COMBU (Germann), AST. (Jennann), A Mr M.F. Dobbs

and Miss K. Lewis The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Peter Saurday at the Church of St Peter and Holy Cross, Wherwell, Hampshire, of Mr Matthew Dobbs, son of Str Richard and Lady Dobbs, to Miss Kate Lewis, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Lewis. The Very Rev Patrick-Mitchell and the Rèv Erroi Williams officialed.

Mr R.O.A. Dutton and Mim P.J.M. Thomson

A service of blessing was held on Saturday at Stowe Church after the marriage in the Temple of Ancient Virtue, Stowe, of Mr Dickie Dunton, only son of the late District Dutton and of Mrs Alice Dutton, of Fulham, to Miss Pippa Thomson, only daughter of the late. Dr and Mrs Ronald Thomson, of Poole.

Mr P.H.M. Swire

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 21, at the Chiesa di Santa Maria del Sasso, Morcote, Lake Lugano, Switzerland, of Mr Philip Swire, son of Mr Humphrey Swire and of Mrs Philippa Swire. to Miss Fiona Donati, daughter of Mr Franco Donati and of Mrs. Anne-Chantal Donati.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mr Marcus Scriven A memorial service for Sir David Hildyard, KCMG, DFC, will take place at St Luke's Church, Sydney Street, SW3, at noon on Tuesday, June 24.

was best man. 'A reception was held at Ca' Basilio. Molinetto di Monteggio,

#### BIRTHS

(UNISKI). - On june 19th, to Owen (née Hughee) and lan, a daughter, Amy Catrin. CASHFORD - On 20th june to Michelle and Darren a daughter Kinsten Daiev. PARR - On June 18th, to

Caroline and jonathan, a son, William John, a son, William John, PALMER - On 20th May 1997 to Maxine (née Carliale) and Guy, a daughter, Jessica Alker Karnath, Parany - On 17th june 1997, to Surie and John, a son. WARD - Jack Christian Tosi. On june 9th a first gasméson to Mary Sadder, Jack Christian Test a much level brother for Gordon and West, Marsh.

Worth - On June 17th, to Lisks (nos Russell) and David, a son, William Ptolemy.

#### DEATHS

BOWERS - George, peacafully on 18th June aged 86. Bora Bidmonton, son of Joseph and Louiss. Emigrated Asstralia 1912. Best in peace. Contact 61 3 9384 1100.

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BIROWELL Lind. Commission of the control of 17th June 1997, auddenly at home. Much loved husband of linne, dear father of Phys. Persha and Petronella, and beloved grantinther. Funeral Service at 8t John's Church, Lower Walton, Warrington, at 11.45am on 25th lune 1997.

CRICK - Commander Trever George Payne Crick OBE, DSC and Bar, RN (Etd.) Aged 95 on June 20th 1997 peacefully in a Somerset nursing home. Funeral 2pm on Fidday june 27th at Saint Margarets Church, Spanton, Bridgwater, Somerset. No flowers, but donations if desired to Bridgwater Sea Coder Corps. C/o Grandfield & Son, Over Stowey, Bridgwater, Somerset, Rridgwater, Somerset.

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18th June 1997 sandemly at
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Lady Chapel, Guildford
Cathedral, Thursday 26th
June at 11 am, followed by
private cremation. Family
flowers only. Donations if
desired to The Cats'
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Ayling Funeral Services, 25
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isobel, beloved wife of the
late Sir Andrew MaitlandMakgill-Crichton. Funeral
Service at Golders Green
Chematorium (East Chapel)
on Thursday 26th June at
2.45 pm. Family flowers
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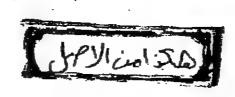
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## MAJOR-GENERAL MICHAEL TOMLINSON

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Major-General Michael Tomlinson, CB, OBE, Director Royal Artillery, 1981-84, and Scaretary of the Dulverton Trust, 1984-94, died from leukachia on June 14 aged 68. He was born on May 20, 1929.

Ithough Mike Tomlinson was a lighly professional gunner officer, who served the Royal Regiment of Artillery with great ability, dedication and inthusiasm for 44 years, he fought as an infantryman in his three active service cam-paigns in Borneo, Cyprus and Northern Ireland.

In the first, hewas GS02 (Operations) to the Director of Operations, General Sir Walter Walker, dealing initially with the suppression of Sheikh Azaharis ill-judged rebellion in Brunei suring the autumn of 1962. For this he was mentioned in dispatches, and subsequently, for his service throughout 1963 in the confrontation with the Indonesians, he was awarded an operational MBE.

In Cyprus, his 159 (Colenso) Battery of 26th field Regiment was deployed as infantry with the United Nations peacekeeping force sent to separate the Greeks from the Turks after Archbishop Makarios had appealed to Britain for help in 1964. This, however, was a relatively gentlemanly affair compared with wha was to engulf him in Belfast when as the Commanding Officer of 2 d Field Regiment, he was responsible for operations in southwest Befast - Andersons-

town and Lenadoon - at the height of the bloodshed in the Province in

He had just brought his regiment to a peak of operational readiness as a close support regiment in 1st British Corps in Germany when he was warned for an emergency tour in Londonderry in an infantry role. He put in hand a programme of retraining for junior officers and NCOs, who were used to accepting and carrying out fire orders on gun positions, to become alert, professional infantrymen able to give clear, concise and simple orders, which are essential ingredients of success on patrol on the streets of Northern Ireland.

At the last moment, his regiment was switched to southwest Belfast around Andersonstown instead of Londonderry so most of its advanced reconnaissance and planning was aborted. Violence in the sector was already mounting and had reached an average of 23 shooting incidents per day. Tomlinson proved himself to be an inspired leader on the streets of Andersonstown; a fine tactician, who knew what he wanted and how to get it; an excellent manmanager, who cared deeply for his men with a penetrating perception of their individual worth; and a commander, who led from the front, visiting all his locations at least once a day. He was highly respected by his subordinates despite the high standards that he

demanded. The regiment had a notably its sector. In June, Tomlinson was successful tour. It shot and capauthorised and succeeded in negotured a number of terrorists, seized

area with Seamus Twomey, the weapons and explosives, and, above all, ensured that the IRA IRA's Belfast brigade commander. failed to set up any "no go" areas in which lasted two weeks before it was broken by the IRA in a pitched battle with the regiment around the tiating a ceasefire in the Lenadoon Lenadoon flats. When the regiment

left Belfast, it was replaced with no fewer than three infantry battalions. Sadly, it had lost three killed and a number wounded during its time in Belfast, Tomlinson himself was awarded an operational OBE.

Michael John Tomlinson was educated at Skinner's School and Sandhurst before being commissioned into the Royal Artillery in 1949. He joined 6th Field Regiment in Egypt where he ran a keen and competitive gun position, and, later as Regimental Survey Officer, carried out several desert surveys for the Royal Geographical Society. His performance with 6th Field was recognised by the award of his Royal Horse Artillery "Jacket" on his posting to 4th Regiment RHA in

In 1961, he was selected for the Staff College, Camberley, whence he became Brigade Major Royal Artillery to 17th Gurkha Division in Malaya. It was from there that he was sent to take part in the Brunei and Borneo operations. Back in England in 1964, he left almost immediately for Cyprus. By the end of 1966, the Ministry of Defence closed around him for the first time when he was appointed to the staff of the Military Secretary. He escaped from Whitehall in

Germany; he later became its

1968 when he was promoted lieutenant-colonel and appointed an instructor at the Staff College, Thereafter his promotion was rapid: in 1970, he was given substantive regimental command of his beloved 2nd Field Regiment, which he took to Belfast; in 1972, promoted full colonel, he returned to Camberley in charge of a Staff College division; in 1973, promoted brigadier as the Commander Royal Artillery of 3rd Division in the Strategic Reserve; and then in 1976, back to Whitehall where he was Deputy Military Secretary. He became a major-general in 1978, first as Director of Manning (Army), then Vice-Adjutant General in 1979 and finally head of the Gunners as Director Royal Artillery, just before the Falklands campaign. After sending out the

gunner regiments, which excelled themselves in the battle for Port Stanley, he was able to catch the postwar re-equipment boom, and played a major role in deciding on the future guns and missiles, which were to do so well in the Gulf War. On his retirement in 1984 with a

CB, he was selected to replace the late General Douglas Brown (another Gunner) as secretary to the Wills family's Dulverton Trust. To those familiar with his blunt, direct character, it seemed an odd move. It proved to be an inspired

Applying his incisive mind to an analysis of the Trust's policy from its earliest days, he was able to present to his board of trustees a clear-cut programme, defining specific areas of charitable giving on which they should concentrate, and those which should be avoided. As a Gunner, he preferred precise targeting; nevertheless, he had the flexibility of mind to accept that the trustees must be free to make their own judgments and take considered risks, or - as he defined it acts of faith.

He married Lily Patricia (Pat) Rowland in 1955. They had a son, Peter, who is currently a lieutenantcolonel in the Royal Artillery, and a daughter, Jane. All his family

## **NICHOLAS DANBY**

Nicholas Dany, organist cancer in Lindon on June 15 agedol. He was born on Jul 19, 1935.

NICHOLAS DANBY was one of a select but nitable band of British organ reitalists who came to international prominence in the 190s, and was the most experinced British conservatoire or an teacher of his generation.

Unlike most English organists, Danby was not a product of the Anglican hoir-stall or Oxbridge traditions. His family background has cultured. cosmopolitan nd Roman Catholic A diret descendant Street Church, remaining ing aspect of Danby's musical

of Charles Dickens and of Ignaz Moscheles, the great 19th-century piano virtuoso, he was educated by the Jesuits at Beaumont School and studied organ with Ralph Downes at the Royal College of Music.

But there were other musical influences that were decisively to shape his essentially European outlook. He was schooled in the elegant, incisive disciplines of the French tradition at the hands of Guy Weltz, the legendary Belgian organist of the Jesuit Church, Farm Street, and a former pupil of Widor and Guilmant. In 1967 Danby succeeded Weitz as organist of Farm

there for the rest of his life not just as a committed Catholic church musician, but as one convinced of the abiding moral and artistic importance of the Christian ritual tradition within Western culture. A complementary influence

was the unexpected benefit of a National Service posting to Germany during the mid-1950s — an encounter at close quarters with old German organs. So began an enduring love affair not just with the German organ tradition but also with historic German religious and artistic culture in general. This was to be the dominat-



Nicholas Danby, right, with John Scott and Gillian Weir, at the organ preparing to play the just-discovered Neumeister Preludes of J. S. Bach, in 1985

## character, strongly reflected in

Catholic.

his repertoire and vividly conveyed to all his pupils. Above all, the humility and strength of the German chorale in its natural social and spiritual context provoked a profound response in him, and he seized every opportunity to give his students first-hand experience of German organ and church music, both Protestant and

As a performer Danby demonstrated a patrician refinement and an intuitive sense of style, indebted less to academic scholarship than to a highly developed cultural sensibility. His scrupulous, classically sculpted playing, particularly well suited to music of the 17th and 18th centuries, made him a familiar performer, both in recital and on radio, as the ered pace in this country during the late 1960s and 1970s.

For 20 years he appeared regularly at the Royal Festival Hall, eventually becoming Curator-Organist there, though he was frustrated by the indifference of the South Bank authorities in recent years to the hall's great organ. He sustained a busy international schedule right up to his last few months, above all in Germany where he was held in especially warm regard. His commercial recordings

in the 1970s and 1980s, of music ranging from Schlick to Brahms, confirmed his authority in German repertoire, while more recently, CDs of Buxtehude, J. S. Bach, C. P. E. Bach and Franck, on important historic instruments (for Sony and Virgin), were greeted with acclaim.

Teaching was an equally significant aspect of his working life. He was a natural teacher, shrewdly deploying the apparent contradiction between his physical appearance - dark, somewhat forbidding and imposingly tall, with in-congruously hirsute hands for a keyboard player - and an engaging geniality. As in his playing, discipline and relish went hand in hand.

He had the great teacher's gift of discerning and developing what was individual and admirable in the playing of even the less technically able student, while being witheringly intolerant of glib proficiency. On a personal level he was as open and relaxed with his students as with any of his

older musical colleagues. while his artistic convictions and wisdom were as tellingly dispensed in the pub or Bierkeller as in the formal lesson.

He headed the organ department of the Guildhall School of Music, 1967-77, became a professor at the Royai College of Music in 1967, and was head of organ studies at the Royal Academy of Music, 1989-90. At the time of his death he was still a professor at both Royal schools — a rare distinction.

In the 1970s he was an influential organ teacher at the Universities of York and Oxford. He was constantly in demand for masterclasses abroad, especially in the major German conservatoires and more recently in Scandi-Russia.

Danby's vigorously European outlook never impeded his essential Englishness. Indeed, his somewhat tangential relationship to the traditional English organ establishment added freshness to his insights into the instruments, music and performers of the Anglican organ and choral tradition, which, particularly in its more "classical" aspect, he dearly loved. S. S. Wesley, Parry, Stanford, Howells and Harris (these last two he knew personally) were members of his personal pantheon along-side Byrd, Gibbons and

He was a passionate advocate for the unique contribution of English organ and choral music to European culture, and one of the most cherished projects of his last years was an ongoing collaboration between the church music and organ departments of the Royal Academy of Music and the Benedictine abbey of Neresheim in southern Germany. He was appointed an honorary member of the RAM in 1992. He had already been elected to honorary fellowship of the Royal College of Organists in 1990 and at the time of his death was a member of its council.

Purcell.

Cancer was diagnosed just three months before his death, and he faced the appallingly swift progress of the disease with valour, supported with great fortitude by his family to whom he was devoted. He is survived by his wife

Maggie and by their two daughters.

## PROFESSOR KEBLE SYKES

Kebie Sykes, Professor of Physical Chemistry at Queen Mary College, University of London, 1956-86, died on May 24 aged 76. He was born on January 7, 1921.

KEBLE SYKES was a professional chemist who had a long and distinguished career as a researcher, teacher and administrator. As Professor of Physical Chemistry at Queen Mary College for thirty years, and head of chemistry there for twenty, he guided his department through a period of great expansion and success. He also served the college as Dean of the Faculty of Science and subsequently Vice-Principal, and played an important role in its eventual merger with Westfield

Keble Watson Sykes attended St Bees School, Cumbria, before going up to Oxford to read chemistry at The Queen's College, where he obtained his MA and BSc degrees. He stayed on to do research for his DPhil in physical chemistry in Sir Cyril Hinshelwood's laboratory and his outstanding achievements were rewarded with his appointment in 1945 to a newly established ICI research fellowship.

His research on the mechanism of the gasification of carbon in its various forms was recognised by the award in 1949 of the Sir George Beilby Memorial Medal and Prize of the Institute of Metals, the Royal Institute of Chemistry and the Society of Chemical Industry. One of his students at Oxford was the young Margaret Thatcher.

In 1948 he was appointed to a lectureship in the department of chemistry at University College, Swansea, an exciting place to be with Lord Fulton as Principal and Kingsley Amis as a member of the English department.

At Swansea he played a leading role in building up the chemistry department and further developed and broadened his research on the reaction of gases with solids, and in 1951 he was promoted to a senior lectureship. Although his research was academic in nature, he had a great insight into the way in which his studies could be applied to the solution of important industrial problems.

In 1956, he was appointed to



the newly established chair in physical chemistry at Queen Mary (now Queen Mary and Westfield) College, University of London, where he rapidly redeployed his growing research group under the physically challenging conditions of the old chemistry building. With the departure of Professor Michael Dewar to Chicago in 1959, he became head of the chemistry department and skilfully presided over its rapid expansion in the 1960s.

A landmark was the move into the "promised land" of the new custom-designed chemistry building in 1966. In those halcyon days, a new building attracted a UGC special equipment grant which provided teaching and research laboratories with the most up-to-date apparatus.. An outstanding head of

department, from 1970 to 1973 Sykes also served the college as Dean of the Faculty of Science and gained the admiration of colleagues in other subjects for his wisdom and even-handedness in dealing with the competing claims of different departments. In 1978 he was appointed Vice-Principal of the college as it entered a turbulent phase of its history with the beginning of the grant cuts in the 1980s. In addition he played a vital role in the merger of Queen Mary and Westfield Colleges as part of the restructuring of the University of London.

Although he relinquished the headship of the chemistry department on becoming Vice-Principal, he insisted on continuing his teaching duties as Professor of Physical Chemistry until his retirement in 1986. when he became professor emeritus. In recognition of his outstanding contributions to the college over a period of 30 years, he was elected a Fellow of Queen Mary College in

As a professional chemist, Sykes served as honorary secretary of the Chemical Society of London from 1960 to 1966 and as a vice-president from 1966 to 1969. He served on the council of the Royal Society of Chemistry from 1977 to 1980 and was at Various times chairman of the library committee, a member of the publications and information board, the Chemistry in Britain committee and the benevolent fund committee. He was also a loyal supporter of the Royal Institution of Great Britain.

In retirement he played an active part in the affairs of the Highgate Literary and Scientific Institutions and indulged in two of his favourite pastimes, gardening and photography.

Throughout his career Keble Sykes was supported steadfastly by his wife Margaret, whom he married in 1950. She survives him with their three daughters.

#### Church news Appointments

The Rev Jonathan Boston, Vicar, Horsford, Horsham St Faith w Newton St Faith to be Priest-in-Charge of Litcham with Kempston; Lexham East; Lexham West: Mileham; Beeston-next- Mileham; Stanfield; Tittleshall with Godwick (Norwich)

The Rev Hugh Broadbent, Vicar. Holy Trinky, Broinley Common, and Chaplain to St Olave's and St Saviour's School, Orpington: to be Priest-in-Charge, St John. Bromley Subject to suspension of presentation), and Chaplain. St Olave's and St Saviour's School, Orpington Rochestert.

The Rev Robert Clack, Team Vicar, Bury Team Parish (Manchester): to be Vicar of Ashton-upon-Mersey St Martin (Chester). The Rev Blanche Clancey, for-

merly Associate Priest (NSM) iston w Bridgford: to be Assocrate Priest (NSM). Wiverton group of parishes (Southwell). The Rev Michael Cowgill, Priestn-Charge of Cullingworth, and Director of the Directon Foundafion Course (Bradford): to be Vicar. Sutton-in-Craven (same diocese).

The Rev Gerald Gardiner, Vicar, Westlands: also Rural Dean of Newcastle (Lichfield). Canon Geoffrey Grant, formerly director, St John's Home, Bristol:

to be Chaplain of St Michael's, Beaulieu-sur-Mer. France (Europe). The Rev Peter Grierson, Vicar, St Luke with St Philip, Blackburn: to be Vicar, St Matthew, Burnley (Blackburn)

The Rev Brian Hackett, Assistant Curate, Willington Team Ministry (Newcastle): to be Team Vicar, St Mary & St Bartholomew, Radeliffe Team Parish (Manchester). The Rev Jeffrey Hall, Rector.

Anstey: to be Team Rector, Hugglescore w Donington, Ellistown and Smibston (Leicester). The Rev Christopher Halliwell, Rector, Wrentham (St Edmundsbury & Ipswich): 10 be Team Vicar, Sileby, Cossington and Seagrave Team Ministry (Leicester). The Rev Peter Hapgood-

Strickland, Vicar, St Thomas with

St Jude: Blackburn: to be Priest-in-Charge, St Andrew w St Margaret, Burnley (Blackburn). The Rev Christopher Hardwick,

Rector of Ripple, Earls Croome w Hill Croome and Strensham also Rural Dean of Upton (Worcester). The Rev Peter Hartley, Honorary Curate, Christ the King, Salfords: to be Chaplain, East Surrey NHS Trost, Redhill (Southwark). The Rev David Hayes, Priest-in-Charge, Presteigne with Discoed, Kinsham and Lingen: also Priest-in-Charge of St Michael and All

Angels, Knill (Hereford). The Rev Anthony Jardine, Rector, Wonston with Stoke Charity and Hunton: to be Priest-in-Charge, Chawton and Farringdon, and Diocesan Rural Officer (Winchester).

The Rev Penny Jones, Director of Practical Theology, North East Ordination Course, and Hon Assistant Curate, Stanhope w Frosterley and Eastgate w Rookhope also Diocesan Woman Adviser in Ministry (Durham).

The Rev Dr Peter Knight, Curate, Quidenham Team Ministry: to be Rector, Thurton w Ashby St Mary, Bergh Apton w Yelverton and Framingham Pigot (The Bramerton Group) (Norwich). The Rev Gillian Weymont, Priestin-charge, Middlezoy and Othery and Moorlynch: to be also Rural Dean of Glastonbury (Bath &

Resignations and retirements Canon Barbara Baisley, Diocesan Vocations Adviser and Associate Minister, Berkswell (Coventry): to retire July 31 on health grounds. Canon Robert Birchnall, Rector. Woodford, St Mary w St Philip and St James, and Honorary Canon of Chelmsford Cathedral to retire June 8, and be appointed Canon Emeritus.

The Rev David Bruce, Vicar, St Thomas, Longford (Coventry); to retire August 31 on health grounds. Canon Peter Burtwell, Team Rector, Bourne Valley Team Ministry (Salisbury): to retire August 31. The Rev Tony Coulson, Rector, White Waltham w Shottesbrooks (Oxford): to retire.

STATE SUBSIDY FOR MUSIC A "POUND TO POUND" BASIS

To the Editor of The Times

Sir, - Sir Thomas Beecham, referring to the much-debated question of a State subsidy for music, has lately laid stress on the dangers which can result when any form of artistic enterprise is controlled by a Government department.

At the same time, it should be pointed out that the box office can never be entirely relied on to support an orchestral concert unless the prices are too high for the average person, or the hall too large for intimate music. We all agree that the working man should have his orchestral music made available to him at prices which he can easily pay, and I feel sure he no longer wishes the output of music to be controlled by the generosity, or otherwise, of his richer fellow men.

The solution obviously is that the concerts should be paid for by the box office receipts, plus a contribution from

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Sixty years ago, after Sir Thomas Beecham had fired one of his broadsides on the question of public support for music and the other arts, Sir Malcolm Sargent suggested. in rather less explosive terms, how a state subsidy for music might be funded

the rates and taxes: a contribution which from each person would be infinitesimal. This subsidy, I feel, could be easily granted without the departmental control which Sir Thomas Beecham so rightly fears. My suggestion has always been that a Government department should be empowered to grant money on

a "pound to pound" basis to any corporation or municipality, or even musical organization. Obviously, the sums asked for would never be large as they would have also to be provided for

at the source from which the request came ... I believe that the local bodies would see that the money was well spent, or it would be quite possible for the Government department to vet the programmes, balance-sheet &c. The guaranteed funds would, I believe, automatically increase where enterprise and musical results were good, and decrease where they were poor through bad management or through the inferior quality of the local musicians.

In this scheme there would be no central control, each city or district would undertake, and automatically be responsible for, the amount of music it could produce, the Government department being simply responsible for 50 per cent, of the losses on the concerts. Local enterprises would receive a tremendous help, and England be flooded with music, at a cost to the ratepayer which would be surprisingly small.

I remain, yours faithfully,

MALCOLM SARGENT. 12, Wetherby Place, S.W.7.

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OPINION

The team Mr Hague has assemb-

led will not be the next Tory govern-

ment, but it is capable of making the Conservatives' eventual return

In both the economic field and on

such contentious foreign policy is-

sues as Hong Kong, Iran and Bos-

Mile-high summit

The Tory team

## THE TIMES TODAY

#### **NEWS**

## Blair hints at Budget green taxes

■ Tony Blair will today hint at a range of green taxes in next month's Budget to improve the environment, cut fuel consumption and help the Government to meet its ambitious new target for reducing global warming.

The Prime Minister will call for a lifestyle revolution that will require everyone in Britain to change their habits. His remarks will be interpreted as a signal that the Chancellor is likely to introduce big rises in fuel excise duties .....

#### Callaghan's secrets to be made public

A treasure trove of secret papers is to be released under plans to reduce the 30-year delay on the publication of state papers. The secrets of the last Labour administration under James Callaghan, now Lord Callaghan of Cardiff, would be among the early releases

#### Child's peace plea

Tony Blair told the American people how his determination to seek peace in Ulster had been renewed by a little girl who wrote to him imploring him to find a faced defeat-\_\_\_\_ ...Page 2

#### Horses attacked

A sadistic attacker of horses is feared to be back in action after a new spate of incidents. Police believe five attacks in the past three weeks are by the person who inflicted injuries in an 18month period from 1982... Page 3

#### BBC takes EC cash

The BBC has claimed more than £300,000 of European Commission money to fund its consumer show Watchdog, in breach of internal rules banning it from receiving money from outside .... Page 5

#### Chinese fakes found

The British Library has found up to 600 fakes in its important collection of "ancient" Chinese manuscripts .... .. Page 7

#### Book festival

Leading figures in the book world aim to establish the London Festival of Literature as the literary answer to the Proms...... Page 7

## Public choose police

A big increase in armed street crime has for the first time prompted senior policemen to offer a community a say in choosing its own officers ............Page 8

#### PoW escape maps

A British veteran held prisoner of war by the Germans has told how he helped to set up a secret printing press to produce 3,000 maps for a mass breakout as the Nazis

#### Next month's Schools White Paper, to be published in record time, will set the seal on the most

Education upheaval

dramatic transformation of any Whitehall department .... Page 10 **Bootleg cigarettes** Fears that America might become

## a country of bootleg cigarettes

have emerged as the smoke clears over an unprecedented deal to regulate tobacco......Page 11 Hong Kong pledge

#### Britain secured a firm commitment from world leaders to keep China to its past promises to up-

hold democracy and the rule of law in Hong Kong ...... Page 12 War over water Wars over the world's water re-

sources are likely in the next ten years unless action is taken to improve conservation techniques, the Earth Summit II in New York was told.

#### Sauna scandal

Russia's Justice Minister was forced to step down after the press published photographs of him cavorting with naked women at a private sauna used by the Russian mafia ..... Page 14

#### Ministers rule Wimbledon out of court

Cabinet ministers and Labour MPs will be thin on the ground at the Wimbledon tennis championships. Companies eager to cultivate the new Government with lavish corporate hospitality have met a cool response from an administration wary of public sensitivity to allegations of free-loading. Few 



Boys show off Hong Kong's new flag in a parade in the colony yesterday to mark the return to Chinese rule next week. Page 12

## BUSINESS

NatWest: The clearing bank is preparing to bolster its defences against takeover with meetings planned with institutional investors to explain strategy ..... Page 48 Thomson: The Canadian publishing group is holding talks with City investment banks over the trade sale of Thomson Travel Group, its tour operator .... . Page 48

Cable & Wireless: A price war has been launched by Cable & Wireless Communications, undercutting BT's prices by 39 to 48 per cent in areas covered by CWC's four cable companies ..

Working harder: Long working hours, short holidays and low employment costs are pushing Britain up the European competitiveness

#### ARTS Molyyn Bragu: "I saw the Forth Bridge again the other day and again concluded that it is not only a wonder of 19th-century British engineering, but a great work of

\_Page 18 Betman's betman: The octogenarian actor Michael Gough, who has portrayed the butler in four Batman films, talks about playing opposite George Clooney .. Page 18 Young telent: Competitions such as the Cardiff Singer of the World bring real talents to the attention

High notes: The Norwegian Opera presents Die Walküre, the second instalment in its extraordinary Ring cycle at the Theatre Royal in

of millions, writes Richard Morri-

## FEATURES T

Office politics: Fifty days after the election, while Labour is still enjoying the honeymoon, the Tories are learning to live without power. For defeated ministers, who never expected to be anywhere but in the Commons, the new era is particularly hard -Pages 16, 17

#### MIND AND MATTER

Cutture clean: The anthropologist Pat Shipman believes she knows why men appear to be afraid of clever women who invade their traditional territory...... Page 15

Fringe benefits: Nigel Hawkes reports on the importance of the rainforest's outer edges as an engine of species diversity. These areas have typically been over-

TOMORROW

IN THE TIMES

**■ TENNIS OFFER** 

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Rugby union: The British Lions have the chance to restore the reputation of northern hemisphere rugby by following up their stirring victory in the opening match against South Africa with more wins in the remaining two clashes Page 29

Cricket: Rain once again hit the second Test at Lord's but, in the play that did take place, England took five wickets and Matthew Elliott, the Australia opener, completed his century ...... Gott: Ignado Garrido kept his nerve to win his first European Tour title at the Volvo German

Open: ... Page 26 Rugby league: The once-mighty Wigan Warriors became the latest English side to be humiliated in the world club championship Page 34 Athletica: Linford Christie ended his reign as captain of the Great Britain men's team by lifting the European Cup after a fine team performance in Munich .... Page 35 Footbell: Faustino Asprilla has said that he wants to leave Newcastle United but Peter Beardsley seems set to stay at St James', . Page 33

#### LOTTER NEMBERS

1, 17, 26, 27, 30, 44, Bonus: 47, Three ticket-holders won £2,841,727 each; 14 matched five balls and the bonus to win £187,366; 843 won £1,944 for and 1,045,886 won £10 for three.

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#### COLUMNS

#### PETER RIDDELL

The Tories will gain pothing from a self-obsessed search for ideological purity, or from taking premature positions on Euroje- and devol-Page 20

#### WILLIAM REES MOGG

Minimal government intervention is not only justified on grounds of liberty, but also on the pragmatic grounds that most intervention does not work. I do not think Gordon Brown believes that .: Page 20. SAM KILEY

The partial lifting of the worldwide ban on trade in ivoy last week is a stupid and selfish pamble Page 20

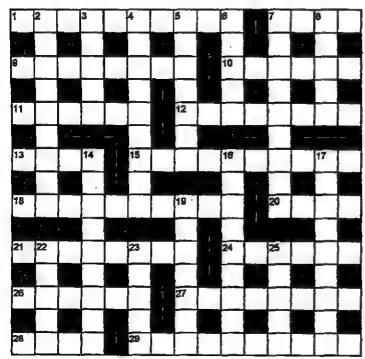
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Within a few days, three men whose names appeared on the lists of purchasers of ideos, and who had been arrested, rave committed suicide. Simple voeurs, it seems rather than active psedophiles. This series of death raises fears that we have passed from one danger to another, forn the era of five balls: 53,065 won £67 for four | silence to that of francing with a red hot iron ↓ — Le Monde

## THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 20,513



#### ACROSS

- 1 Prim type whose terms of employ
- ment are instructive (10). 7 Sound reflection Eastern church provided old follower (4).
- 9 Principal opportunity for clearance (8).
- 10 Local inhabitant in bed at Whitstable? (6).
- 11 Strike constraining a large corporation (6). 12 Miners beginning to exhibit spir-
- ited strength in numbers (8). 13 Prejudice some exploit to get at Jack (4).
- 15 Recognition EC pace can't change (10). 18 Praiseworthy volunteers in con-
- ceivable situation (10). 20 Contradictory responses to request for recess (4).
- 21 Paint remover one producing bare finish (8).

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 20,512 will appear next Saturday. The five winners will each receive a £20 book token.

- 24 Refreshment counter providing punch (6).
- mostly a failure (6).
- 27 Figure represented on target (S). 28 Eyesore appearing in the middle of last year (4).
- 29 Accommodation going fast no hurdles to cross here (4.6).

## 2 Old knight's joy, sheltering girl

- on island (9). 3 Former description of silence
- after beheading (5). 4 Injured Latin hero — one displaying great courage (4-5). 5 Girl is able to set up yearbook (7).
- 6 Roughly drop note (5). 7 Record 22 docked in harbour (9). 8 It can be played with devastating
- effect (5). 14 Secondary argument from team
- put out (4.5). 16 Best prayer concocted when lack-
- ing a minister (9). 17 Cease trading with neighbouring county (5.4). 19 Serviceman's cap? Harte accept-
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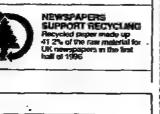
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especially in the rain. Scotland and Northern Ireland will have clear or sunny spells and showers. The best of the clearer breaks will be in sheltered areas to the south of high ground. It will be quite breezy and rather cool,

☐ London, Southeast England, East Anglia, Eastern England, Northeast England, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee: showers or longer periods of rain, heavy at times, with the chance of thunder. Wind nonthwesterly, fresh, locally strong. Cool, max 18C (64F).

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17C (63F). ☐ Southwest England, South Wales, North Wales, Northwest England, Lake District, Isle of Man, Southwest Scotland, Glasgow, Northern ireland: clear or aunny spells with showers dying out later. Wind northwesterly or northerly, moderate. Max 16C

☐ Aberdeen, Central Highlands Moray Firth, Northeast Scotland, Argyll, Northwest Scotland, Ork-ney, Shetland: clear or sunny spells with showers, becoming drier later. Wind northerly, moderate or fresh. Max 14C (57F).

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#### AROUND BRITAIN YESTERDAY



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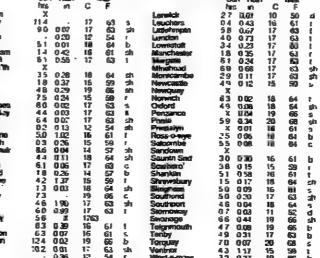
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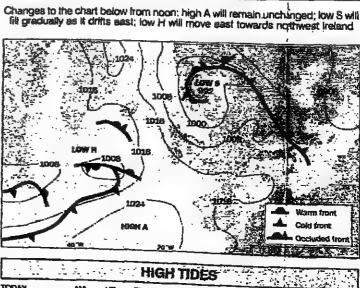
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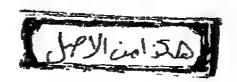




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LEADER ON THE TRACK

British captain's grand finale points the way to European Cup triumph PAGE 35

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BRITISH PAIR SERVE UP PROSPECT OF WIMBLEDON SUC



Courting success: Rusedski goes into Wimbledon in great form, while Henman, right, has been struggling

# Dynamic duo breed great expectations

TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

THE feeling that Britain might have something to celebrate at Wimbledon is perfectly choreographed by the order of play for the HIth championships, which open today. Tim Henman baptises the new No I Court in his match with Daniel Nestor, of Canada, while Greg Rusedski, formerly of Canada but now naturalised in Britain, has a Centre Court date with Mark Philippoussis, of Australia. Not for three generations have domestic players threatened to

reclaim the foreign enclave of SW19. Henman and Rusedski are more than show ponies casting shadows on the show courts. Their billing has been accorded on merit rather than the requirements of ceremony. After 12 months of high achievement, Henman has been seeded No 14, the first such accolade for a homegrown player for 15 years. Rusedski's combustible encounter with Philippoussis,

winner of the Stella Artois tournament at Oueen's Club, brings together two mammoth servers whose present form is outstand-

ing. Fresh from victory in the Nottingham Open on Saturday, Rusedski is forming a head of steam at just the right time. Along with his service, Ru-

sedski's confidence is booming. He is the man most players wanted to avoid in the early rounds and he advances on Wimbledon with the endorsement of Pete Sampras, three times a winner at the All England Club. Of their match in California four months ago - in which Rusedski led until injury forced his withdrawal Sampras said: "He was playing top-ten tennis in the first set. He is always tough to

play with his serve." Rusedski, rated as a 50-1 chance by Ladbrokes, the bookmaker, has been irked by the attention accorded Hen-

Wimbledon. While Henman, defeated early at Oueen's, stumbled through to the semi-finals at Nottingham, lost one match in two weeks and that only came after a compelling 20-18 tie-break

against Goran Ivanisevic. "Maybe I'll get a headline now," Rusedski spat, after winning at Nottingham. "Even at Queen's it was 'What's wrong with Tim? and not 'Rusedski's doing well'. The only way to do something about it is to keep winning." In his present mood,

Rusedski has genuine prospects of causing an upset every bit as uplifting as Henman's ning-round defeat of the No 5 seed, Yevgeni Kafelnikov, 12 months ago. What would Henman give for a similar victory now?

To be seeded is encouraging, but the seed afflicting Henman's mind is sown of

himself on progressing beyond the other, but the draw has been far kinder to Henman. Should he reach the fourth round, he will approach his projected encounter with Richard Krajicek, the defending champion, with considerable optimism. Nothing less is expected of Henman than a safe passage to the last dorsed by no less a judge than John McEnroe, who cites him as a potential winner.

Henman's gains are largely attributable to Rusedski's adoption of these shores. Henman knows that a poor Wimbledon might allow Ruworld rankings. Henman admits that his rival's higher ranking spurred his improvement 12 months ago. He now has a similar incentive to make this a memorable fortnight for a nation too long starved of strawberries and

> Krajicek's case, 27 Today's order of play, 27



## Sky gets to grips with whole new ball game

ky can't do rugby." Joshua Ball said as we contemplated Saturday's enticing sports pro-gramme. "No Bill Mclaren, no Nigel Starmer-Smith, no voice of rugby, no authority."

Such conservatism in one so young. There is, however, hope there for Miles Harrison, the Sky match commentator, - after all, Starmer-Smith was once seen as the lead weight round Rugby Special's neck. And, if rugby is to develop as a professional sport. Sky perhaps offers the

right voice for the new era. It could hardly have hoped for better than a dramatic British Isles win in the first international, and Matt Dawson's try, which will stick in the memory as one of the highlights of the year even for non-rugby fans. With such

might have struggled to spoil the story, and Sky is far too professional to do that.

It approached it much as it does football - with enough players on view to run its own team - although, apparently, without the same spread of cameras. Instead of McLaren's boisterous enthusiasm, there was a combination

of the demotic and the

analytic At times, Stuart Barnes dipped into Ron Atkinson's book of sporting cliches. "It's all about commitment now for the Lions," he informed us ar half-time, but at others he hit the button with perceptive

"It's a very brave performance, but at some stage you've got to be brave with the ball in your hands," he obPETER BALL

TV ACTION REPLAY

served with just over ten minutes to go. Dawson might almost have heard him.

By then, any pretence at objectivity was long gone. "I can see we're going to fall off the fence," Harrison lamented as Barnes relished South African mishaps, and Dawson's run, and the resulting win, produced the inevitable triumphalism in the studio.

Dewi Morris was understandably chuffed, having predicted that Dawson would emerge as a star, and was led by David Bobin into disparaging remarks about Joost van der Westhuizen, who had been proclaimed as the best scrum

You were saying 'Van der who?' Bobin prompted mischievously. and he doesn't like it when you get in his face and he can't have his armchair ride," Morris said, sounding for all the world like an English pro of insular pre-Premier League days dismissing Netzer or Platini for lacking bottle. Fortunately, Dawson - as engag-

half in the world beforehand.

- Johnson and co gave no such hostages to fortune. If the rugby was the event of

the weekend, the most riveting viewing and the outstanding coverage was that other Test at Lord's. If (when?) the BBC loses Test matches, it would be time to storm the Grace Gates, because its coverage of cricket simply sets standards no other sport and no other broadcaster On Saturday, there were

one or two technical glitches to prove they are human: the sight of Shane Warne opening the bowling, which must have had every cricket fan gawping open-mouthed, was not explained until the end of his over; the drop by Mark Wangh was analysed at length, but no one said whether Croft or Ealham was the

ed switch between BBCi and BBC2 put Sue Barker on the back foot.

Those, however, were minor blemishes. With England bowled out for 77, and McGrath producing the bestever figures for an Australia howler at Lord's, they had a good tale, but from even before the start of play, as Geoffrey Boycott plunged his pen into a crack in the pitch, before condemning the wicket roundly, the analysis was sharp and the anecdotes were always

illuminating. With Boycott, the urbane Richie Benaud (surely sport's finest commentator) and lan Chappell adding the Australian perspective, it is the one sport where watching on television is as good as - or better

## Maradona turns to disgraced Johnson

DIEGO MARADONA, the former Argentina football captain who has twice been suspended for drugs offences. has hired Ben Johnson, the disgraced Canadian sprinter as his personal trainer. "I want to be the best in the world again," Maradona said at York University, Toronto. "Ben's

the fastest man in the world — a powerhouse, an animal."

Johnson, 35, was stripped of his Olympic 100 metres gold. medal in 1988 and suspended for two years for using anabolic steroids. He received a life ban after failing another drug test in 1993. Maradona, 36, was suspended for Is months in 1991 after testing positive for cocaine use after an Italian league game and was thrown out of the 1994 World Cup for using banned stimulants. "We're just trying to do the things we do best," Johnson said.

## All in a week's work

TRIATHLON: Tim Stuart, a GP at the Royal Surrey County hospital, won the national title at Eliesmere. Shropshire, yesterday (Ian Sweet writes). Stuart, 37, who went into the event after working a 56-hour week, triumphed over the Olympic distance, comprising a 1.500-metre swim, 40-kilometre cycle race and 20-kilometre run in 1hr 51min 10sec. "I stuck my head down and raced to the finish line and was delighted with this unexpected national title." Stuart said. While the men's competition produced an unexpected winner, the women's event was won by Sian Bryce, who had started as favourite and confirmed that position in

## Akii-Bua dies at 49

ATHLETICS: John Akii-Bua, right, the former Olympic 400 metres hurdles champion, has died in Kampala, Uganda at the age of 49. He won gold in the Munich Games in 1972, but had reportedly been ill for some time. Akü-Bua, one of 43 children, was one of the world's greatest hurdlers, but the African boycott of the 1976 Games dashed his hopes of defending his title.



## Extebarria beats rain

CYCLING: David Exterioria, of Spain, won the sixth stage of the Tour of Switzerland, reduced to 147.5 kilometres between Biasca and Bosco Gurin because of wet, dangerous conditions. Extebarria won the Alpine stage by lisec from Leonardo Piepolo, of Italy, with Francesco Casagrande, another Italian, third. Christophe Agnolutio, of France, retained the yellow jersey of the overall race leader.

## Coles rolls back years

GOLF: Nell Coles became the oldest winner of a European Seniors Tour event yesterday when he completed a closing round of 69, three under par, for a record-equalling sevenshot victory in the Ryder Collingtree Seniors at Northampton. The 62-year-old led all three rounds, his eight under partotal of 206 — a tournament record low — giving him his third Collingtree success in fire conditions. third Collingtree success in five years.

## Gray sets Welsh record

ATHLETICS: Paul Gray ran a championship best as he won the 400 metres hurdles title at the Welsh championships at Cwmbran yesterday. The 1994 Commonwealth Games 110 metres hurdles bronze medal-winner recorded 50.18sec in finishing ahead of Mark Rowlands, who broke the Weish under-20 record. Sean Pickering took the shot title with a championship best 19.15 metres.

## Boardman holds lead

CYCLING: Chris Boardman, of Britain, right, retained the overall leader's yellow jersey after the fourth stage of the Tour of Catalonia yesterday. Jan Svorada, of the Czech Republic, won the 129.7-kilometre stage from Sant Joan dEspi to Barcelona. In a sprint finish, Svorada edged out Federico Colonna of Italy, and Frederic Moncassin, of



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## Brewer takes IBF title

BOXING: Charles Brewer, of the United States, stopped Gary Ballard, of South Africa, in the fifth round in Tampa, Florida on Saturday to claim the vacant International Boxing Federation super-middleweight title. Brewer, 27, who has won 20 bouts inside the distance in a 29-5 record. knocked Brewer down with a barrage of blows in the fifth round and Max Parker, the referee stopped the fight.

## Lynn breaks through

GOLF: David Lynn shot a closing 69 to win the Team Erhvery Danish Open at the Simons club near Helsingon yesterday. It left Lynn with a 14-under-par total of 274, three strokes clear of Robert Jan Derksen, of Holland, who finished with a round of 70. It was Lynn's first European Challenge Tour victory and the winner's cheque of almost £13,000 lifts him from No 22 to No 4 in the rankings.

GOLF

## Garrido strides towards place in Ryder Cup

IF THE most difficult stroke in golf is the long bunker shot. then it is only marginally less difficult to take a large lead into the last round of a tournament and hold on to it. Arnold Palmer once led a major championship by six strokes with nine holes remaining and still lost.

Ignacio Garrido, 25, from Spain, led the Volvo German Open at the Schloss Nippenburg course near Stuttgart by five strokes after 54 holes and thus the first prize of £116,000 was not so much anybody else's to win as his to lose in the final round. Despite a changing cast of challengers and a testing wind, Garrido saw them all off to win his first tournament on the European tour. His last round of 72 gave him a 72-hole total of Z71, 13 under par, and victory by four strokes from Russell Claydon and five from Mark James.

There was a lot of rain in this part of Germany last week and the start of the fourth round was delayed for half an hour. When play did get under way, players went off in threes instead of pairs and when the sun came out at of mud. It was as essential for spectators to keep their footing as it was for Garrido to keep

He began steadily, though he drove into the rough and dropped one stroke on the 7th. the shortest par four on the course. Another went on the 9th after a rather nervous and jerky chip-and-run from the edge of the green, when Brian Davis, a 22-year-old graduate of last year's European tour school, who had been second overnight with James, five strokes behind, holed a good putt for a four. This put him three strokes behind Garrido and could have signalled the start of a collapse by the

However, after seeing first Davis hit his tee shot into fluffy grass at the back of the 10th green and then James's tee shot catch a bank above a bunker in front of the green and roll backwards, Garrido hit a nerveless stroke to nine feet to guarantee his par. Garrido's lead was reduced to two strokes after the 12th. where Davis hit a beautiful iron to four feet, but then

#### FINAL SCORES

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Davis dropped two strokes on the 14th and fell back to eight

Meanwhile, Garrido was playing sensibly and calmly. When he is on a golf course, there is none of the volatility that those from the Iberian peninsula are supposed to demonstrate during moments of stress, instead, he looks thoughtful and composed. He was not disorientated when a new challenger emerged in the On his way to a round of 66,

of the day, Claydon birdied the loth by hitting an eight-iron to four feet from the hole. That put him ten under par and two strokes behind Garrido. Yet, as Davis's effort on the 12th was wasted on the 14th, so Claydon's birdie on the 16th was squandered on the 17th. when he dropped a stroke.

Garrido has good bloodlines. German, an uncle, helps him with his swing. Antonio, his father, played in the 1979 Ryder Cup team, the first that was open to golfers from mainland Europe. If. after this win, Ignacio gets a place in the Ryder Cup at Valderrama, the Garridos will be the second father and son combination from this side of the Atlantic to compete in the competition, following in the footsteps of Percy and Peter Alliss. Garrido is now thirteenth in the Ryder Cup points table. The full effect of Garrido's

victory took some time to sink in Likewise, his mind was far from thinking of the Ryder Cup. "It was a difficult day today because it was quite windy and obviously I was under pressure, especially on knew that what I needed to do was to keep on making pars and to let other people make the mistakes as they tried to

Sam Torrance's total of six under par helped him in his quest for a ninth Ryder Cup appearance and James's third place did him no harm either. One year, it will be possible to say once and for all there is no chance of either of them representing Europe, but it is not so at present. Torrance lies twelfth in the rankings and James sixteenth. Do not count



## Els on course for win double

ERNIE ELS, the US Open champion, closed in on a second successive victory by establishing a commanding three-stroke lead after the third round of the Buick Classic in Harrison. New York. Eis. of South Africa. recorded a 67. four under par, and his score of 199 came within one stroke of the 54hole tournament record that

he set last year. Jeff Maggert, of the United States, who had a 66, was in second place with Jim Furyk. his compatriot, five shots further back after a 69. Els, 27. is the holder of the Buick Classic title and, if he wins again, he will become the first man to win the US Open and the Buick Classic back-to-back since Hale Irwin in 1990.

Els threatened to run away from the field before stumbling with bogeys at the 13th and 16th holes. He had six birdies over the first 12 holes to open up an eight-shot lead. "I made two bogeys, but 67 is not a bad round of golf," he said. "There are a couple of guys in the tournament still. so I've got to play well. It will birdies things were going my way. It's just a matter of getting focused again." Maggert, who chased Els for much of the final round in

the US Open, finished strongly with three birdies over the final five holes. "Anytime you play well, you can overcome disappointments," he said. "It's nice to finish the round off the way I did. I made a little run at Ernie. I'm playing well, Ernie's playing well. It will be a good battle." Tiger Woods had a 71, level par, after successive 72s and was 16

## Japanese eagle rewarded by French chapeau

AN AMBITTOUS young Japanese arrived in the United States a few years ago armed with a determination to test her golfing ability against the best but with only a few words of English: "My name is Hiromi Kobayashi. How are you?"

Last Saturday, after winning the fourth Evian Masters at the Royal Club here with a dramatic eagle three at the first hole of a play-off, Kobayashl started working on her French. "Bonjour. Merci," she said, clutching a cheque for £63,750, a trophy and a hat every bit as eccentric as anything Gertrude Shil-

by a Paris milliner with a flair for the bizarre, is an Evian tradition, a not too serious answer to the green

Now 34, secure in her membership of the LPGA Tour and her mastery of the English language, the personable Kobayashi became the first Japanese to win on the European tour since Ayako Okamoto took the German Open in 1990.

Kobayashi's victory was at the expense of the dogged Englishwom-an. Alison Nicholas, who had the edge for most of the final round but came unstuck at the 18th, a par five of 465 yards. Nicholas, incorporating some swing changes into her game. had coped superbly but she drove into trees at the last and could not reach the green in two.

Kobayashi not only could but did with a superb three-wood from 223 yards - and her birdie four tied Nicholas on 274. 14 under par. A few

minutes later. Kobayahsi did the same again - this time the threewood was 221 yards - and with Nicholas struggling after another drive out of position, the Japanese holed a fast, treacherous putt of 30 feet, to finish in the grand manner.

Refreshingly scrutable, she jum-ped up and down with delight, celebrating her first win for two

Nicholas, who defends her Guardian Irish Open title at Luttrellsmwn Castle, Dublin, this week, was disappointed but pleased with the way her game is progressing. As a board member of the American Express tour she will appreciate the business possibilities of the result, with Evian open to an influx of yen next season.

Annika Sorenstam, the world No 1,

returned to something more like her usual form with four birdies in her first II holes but Charlotta, her younger sister, finished even better. She tied for fifth on 283 and won a Renault Twingo for a hole in one at the 17th.

However, the plum prizes were reserved for two English football fanatics. Trish Johnson was given a ticket for one of the World Cup semifinals next year and Laura Davies will have a seat at the final. "It's better than winning the tourna-ment." Davies said. She won at Evian last year but took some flak for having a television set in her bag during the final round, to watch England in the European champion

She will have no such split loyalties next year, for the tournament will be moved to the beginning of the month, in deference to the World Cup finals.

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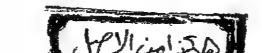


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Young pretenders seek place among game's immortals

TENNIS

By Julian Muscat, tennis correspondent

IT IS truly a mix of the old and the new. As a host of former champions gathers today to commemorate the opening of the All England Club's new show court, a plethora of new faces attempt to impose themselves on the ageing lawns of

If new champions are in-deed crowned, it is unlikely that they will emulate the achievements of Laver and McEnroe, of Bueno, Evert and Navratilova. These living reminders of Wimbledon's rich history are to participate in the No I Court opening ceremony, to be conducted today by the Duke Of Kent, the club's president, at 1.30pm. Elsewhere, a hungry young breed will be pacing the grounds, eager to extend the uprising initiated by Carlos Moya, an unseeded finalist in Melbourne: Gustavo Kuerten, the Brazilian hero of Paris: and Iva Majoli, surprise conqueror of Martina Hingis at the French Open. To their credit, Moya and

Kuerten are down at SW19, where seven of their contemporaries in the world top 20 are not. We have witnessed the familiar sick notes dispatched on behalf of clay-court specalists, not to mention the non-entry of others. Whatever their ailments, we can accurately surmise that their absence indicates their inability to win the world's most covered championships. Wimbledon is none the poorer for that. It is, in fact, all the richer for the return to form of Richard Krajicek, the defending cham-pion. Krajicek, seeded No 4,

AFTER a week of rain, rain

and then more rain, there

clusion of the Direct Line

International at East-

bourne yesterday. Try as

they might, the organisers,

players and spectators could not defy the best - or

rather worst - that the

British weather could

throw at them and the

tournament ended in stale-

mate, with the final aban-

doned before a set could be

Jana Novotna and Aran-

txa Sánchez Vicario were

heading towards a first-set

tie-break when the final

was halted after 46 frag-

mented minutes with the

score at 6-5 to the Czech. No

matter that she was lead-

ing: Novotna's patience

with the conditions snapped

and she stalked off to the

locker-room . complaining

about the slippery court and

gathering storm-clouds, ig-

completed.

of his native Rosmalen without once dropping his service. "This week has been excellent preparation and I am full

of confidence," Krajicek, who later travelled to London by helicopter, said. "From now on, all I'm thinking about is Wimbledon." The victory will upgrade his world ranking one place, to No 5, in advance of his opening match with Marcello Craca, of Germany, on Centre Court today. It will also register forcefully with Pete Sampras, blown away by Krajicek in the quarter-finals 12 months ago. Boris Becker will not be surprised: he has nominated Krajicek as the



Becker, seeded eight, are inactive today. Both are seeking their fourth Wimbledon titles.

Fronting the assault of youth is Mark Philippoussis. 21, who battered Goran Ivanivesic into submission at Queen's eight days ago. But the Australian, the fastest server in the world, faces a tough encounter with Britain's Greg Rusedski on Centre Court's lush surface. Spectasterday completed his rout this point. Alternatively, they of the opposition on the grass might turn their attention to

Novotna calls halt to slippery final act BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

> Indeed, given the chance, the Spaniard would probably have played on through a blizzard, for, had she won. she would have passed the \$12 million-mark in career earnings. Sharing the £48,000 first prize left her fractionally short, but if she beats Clare Wood, the Brighton-based Briton, in the first round at Wimble-

> noring a slow hand-clap

don tomorrow, the delay will be minimal. Novotna was unrepentant afterwards: "It was too slippery to play on and I felt they could have taken a decision to call it off a few hours earlier. The last thing you want to do is take a risk of injury just before Wimbledon. I'm glad to have got to the final, but it has been so wet and windy all week that you couldn't possibly

play real tennis."

the match involving two unseeded warriors in Jim Couri-Court. This is the last Wimbledon for Stich, the winner six

years ago. With Steffi Graf, the defending champion, lamentably abthere will almost certainly be a first-time winner in the ladies' championship. Martina Hingis, of Switzerland, justifi-ably heads the seedings; this year she has won all matches except for an unexpected defeat by Majoli in Paris. However, Hingis must fend off some strong hitters in her section of the draw - most notably Brenda Schultz-Me-Carthy, the fastest server on the women's Tour.

Schultz-McCarthy, projected to meet Hingis in the last ló, spoke optimistically yester-day. "Steffi's absence has left the rest of us with great hope," she said. "I can give everybody a lot of trouble. Somebody like Monica Seles, for instance, doesn't like playing me because she can be inconsistent with her returning." Seles, seeded No 2, will not need reminding how Schultz-Mc-Carthy outhit her at Eastbourne last week.

Schultz-McCarthy also cast doubt over the soundness of the knee that Hingis injured in a riding accident earlier this year. "I'm sure the injury is the main reason she [Hingis] didn't come to Eastbourne for grass-court experience," she Pat Cash, a former men's

champion, put a leg injury behind him to reach the main draw from a qualifying competition heavily disrupted by rain. Cash, 32, defeated Oren Motevassel, of Israel, in three sets to secure a first-round match with Byron Black, of Zimbabwe. His incentive is a possible clash with Pete Sampras in the third round.

Qualifiers or lucky losers make up the opposition for four of Britain's eight wild card entrants - among them Andrew Richardson - into the main draw. The lanky Richaroson, in action on Court 4 today, has advanced more than 600 places in the rankings in four years. "A lot of people think, because I am 6ft 7in and have a good serve, that grass should be my favourite surface," he said. "I think that's wrong. The rest of my game isn't too bad either."

Richardson will be hooing to recapture the form that saw off Black on his Davis Cup debut against Zimbabwe two months ago.

Of the remaining wild card quartet, Chris Wilkinson. from London, faces the most danning assignment. Wilkinson originally relished the prospect of playing the No 4 seed, Thomas Muster, but the latter's withdrawal means he is now matched with Jonas Bjorkman, of Sweden. The No 17 seed, Biorkman reached the semi-finals at Queen's before losing out in three sets

## Krajicek makes strong case for defence

David Powell talks

to the Wimbledon

100 19D

champion who plans to make a lasting

impression this year

f Richard Krajicek had been superstitious, he would probably have been tearing his neatlybrushed hair out. He was winning matches on grass, cager for Wimbledon. The auguries did not look good.

Krajicek had returned to year earlier, he had sought to hone his game for Wimbledon. These were the championships of Rosmalen, Holland, his home country, and he was thinking back to last summer. It sends a shiver down his spine when he recalls how, in 1996, as he packed his rackets and walked away from a quarterfinal defeat in Rosmalen, he considered pulling out of Wimbledon.

"I did not think I was going to play Wimbledon," Krajicek said, between rounds in Rosmalen last week. "I was down with the way I was playing on grass. I was thoroughly annoyed and irritated with myself and I thought: Well, if I am annoyed, I am apparently not enjoying it. Why play on grass at all? There was a day and a half when I was in

"When I think back, I go: 'Oh God, imagine if I had made the decision the other way.' I felt terrible comit into Wimbledon. This year I feel a lot better. I do not know whether that is a good or a bad sign. You cannot say what it means for

We can say, though, that Krajicek has a solid chance of repeating the victory of 12 months ago that gave Wimbledon an unseeded men's champion, the first Dutchman to win a grand-siam singles. He is the No 4 seed now, with the confidence to analyse why his first-round opponent should not beat him, but without the arrogance to suggest that he has Marcello Craca is un-

known to Wimbledon and, apparently, unlikely to stay get to know him better. "It is his first grand slam, he has has never played on grass, and is a baseliner," Krajicek said, helpfully. So an easy win for you? "Yes ... if you hear all these things, it should be easy but he is an opponent and will want to beat me."

Try to picture Krajicek in your mind and, if you succeed, you are one of the few. Though he won Wimbledon, Krajicek is probably still less readily recognised than his girlfriend, Daphne Deckers, whose facial contortions were as much a part of last year's televised coverage as the champion's thundering service and potent return.

Two short matches, won in straight sets, after the tournament finally sat up and took notice of him, did not allow time enough for people to familiarise themselves with a player who offered nothing in the way of dress or



A player eliminated in the first round during the two the product of an obsessive vious Wimbledons, who had never reached a grandslam singles final, was of peripheral interest until he stopped Pete Sampras, the world No I, in his tracks. Sampras had been on course

bledon singles title. Who was this Dutchman?

parent, driven from a voung age by his father through a hard training regime that sometimes had him in tears. When his parents divorced, Krajicek temporarily cut contact with his father.



the relaxed and cheerful adult. In Rosmalen, he Krajicek, we learnt, was signed autographs freely, gave a children's tennis clinic and was as obliging to

reporters as any Wimbledon

champion can have been.

He gave group interviews, personal interviews, telephone interviews to journalists with whom he had not spoken before. "I have never seen a player as good as him with the press," Corinne Milliand, the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) communications manager, said. Largely because Krajicek has had a cartilage

> weight from his mind. Not long after Wimbledon last year. Krajicek returned to his pre-championships lugubrious state. After a fortnight's holiday, he went back to tournament play and, with the heart missing from his game, performed poorly. "I had a problem readjusting after success, finding new goals," he said. "His nadir was the US

removed from his knee and a

Open where, like Stefan Edberg, Pat Cash and John Newcombe before him, he lost in the first round after winning Wimbledon. "It was all mental." Krajicek reflected. "I just could not get up to play. After that, I did not do anything for three weeks. I did not see many people, I was alone almost, at home in

Upon his return, he had such trouble with his right knee that surgery became a necessity. Although he reached the ATP semi-finals, he lost to MaliVai Washington, whom he had beaten in the Wimbledon final, in the first round of the Grand Slam Cup and pulled out of two tournaments." I had nine weeks off and, after that, a fresh start. I needed six months to get all the emo-

The operation was the climax to finish that period. I realised there were lots of goals. I have not been No I yet and there are so many grand slams to win, but you have to feel it in your heart." There lies the crux, according to Bertold Palthe, a Dutch tennis magazine journalist, who is a member of Krajicek's social circle.

Krajicek has recently bought a vicarage-style house in Muiderberg, a small village close to Amsterdam. where Palthe lives. "With Richard, it has to come from the heart, not the head."

#### 'Try to picture Krajicek in your mind and, if you succeed, you are one of the few'

Palthe said. "What enabled him to win last year was first the heart, second his backhand return. That is why he won, because the heart was there, the brain was there, everything was there." Paul Haarhuis defeated

Kraijcek in Rosmalen last year but lost to him last week as the Wimbledon champion underlined his form, defeating Michael Chang in his semi-final and Guillaume Raoux, of France, 6-4, 7-6 in the final yesterday afternoon. "He is serving great, not giving anybody a chance. and returning better than he was last year a week before Wimbledon." Haarhuis said "He is volleying well, so I think his game is in order."

Krajicek's girlfriend was watching, the one said to look like Meg Ryan, with a hint of Madonna, the Stepford woman, seen and not heard. Last year was her triumph as much as his. And, though not as a result of her Wimbledon profile, she has landed a part in the latest Bond movie. "Tomorrow Never Dies, I think," Krajicek said. hesitating.

"She has a decent part, the fourth female part. She works for the villain, a PR woman, because the villain is a media guy. Is she coming to Wimbledon? I think it is a bigger worry for TV whether she is coming than whether I am coming, so they can relax, she is coming." Given Krajicek's present form and attitude, she could be there the full fortnight.

# **Wimbledon'97**

A 16-page guide to Wimble-don including the men's and women's singles draws. The qualifying tournament was completed yesterday and the revised first-round matches involving qualifiers and lucky

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## Rusedski grows in stature

to Philippoussis.

AFTER improvising the courtesies that follow victory, Greg Rusedski found a quiet corridor on the top floor of the Nottingham Tennis Centre, leant against a window overlooking the sodden centre court and considered his future with renewed optimism. Outside, a few spectators peered from the top of main stand and waved at the new Nottingham Open champion each time he twitched his head towards them. Earlier, the same hardy

people had pressed their noses against the glass wall to view Rusedski beat Karol Kucera 6-4, 7-5 in the final on the hard surface indoors. With just 40 or so press and officials courtside and Lucy Connor, his girlfriend, alongside his coach, Brian Teacher, on a makeshift gantry, he became the first British player since Mark Cox, 22 years ago, to

win a tour event in England. Supporters, denied play on the grass courts for the second day by rain, hanged their knuckles against the glass encouragingly when Rusedski won key points. Rusedski had beaten Sandon Stolle 6-3, 6-4 in the semi-final in the morning. He has now won nine of his last ten matches. Four of them were at Queen's Club. where he came within a tiebreak of defeating Goran Ivanisevic. At Nottingham, he five matches; indeed, he conceded just ten points on his own service in 11 games against Kucera.

It is with every justification, then, that he says he enters Wimbledon close to the form that took him to the final of the San Jose Open in February. Over the last week he has become increasingly sanguine in discussing his first-round tie against Mark Philippoussis, the No 7 seed and one of the few players in the world with a service as fierce as his

"I said originally that, if I had to play him, I would rather it was in the first round when the grass is high because





did not drop a set in any of his in those conditions you have to do more than just hit the ball hard. Since then, the extra rain will have made the courts There is still room for improvement on my returns and ground strokes but 1 have grown in confidence through the week in Nottingham." Asked about the wider pros-

pects for Tim Henman and himself, Rusedski said: "It is a lot to ask for this year. Either of us could win, but I say that with the next three or four years in mind because we are both improving." He believes that Sampras, Becker or Ivanisevic will win.

Knoera, a Slovakian, with a world ranking of 64, removed the possibility of the first all-British men's final in the open era by beating Henman, the fourth seed, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 in the semi-final. Henman, desperate for match practice, was taken to a third set in each of his four matches. "I feel as good going into Wimbledon now as I did last year," he

Having played both the top two British players indoors on Saturday, Kucera was asked which he would rather face on grass. Perversely, it seemed, he plumped for Rusedski because his service was easier to return. Evidence of the last week suggests he was confus-

#### ORDER OF PLAY TODAY Seeded players in capitals

2.15pm start on Centre Court and No 1 Court, moon on others CENTRE COURT: M Craca (Ger) v R KRAJICEK (Holl); M PHILIP-POUSSIS (Aus) v G Rusedski (GB); Miss C Rubin (US) v Miss A Kournikova (Ruse).

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No.3 COURT: S. Bryan (US) v. C. MOYA (Sp); J. Gimelatob (US) v. G. KUERTEN (Br); Miss N. Sawarnatsu (Japan) v. Miss S. Smith (GB); Miss V. Williams. (US) v. Miss M. Grzybowska (Pol).

No 4 COURT: A Richardson (GB) v S Duran (Sp); J Tarango (US) v R Gilbert (Fr); Miss S Cacic (US) v Miss A Frazier (US); Mrs J Wiesner (Austria) v Miss J Kandarr (Ger). (Pub) v Miss M Maleeva (Bul) v Miss J Pullin (GB); J Delgado (GB) v J Golmard (Fr); N Marques (Por) v M Lee (GB); Miss S Appelment (Bel) v Miss R Simpson (Can). No & COURT: A Pavel (Rom) v F

Dewulf (Bel); Miss K PO (US) v Miss K Guse (Aus); Miss F Lubeni (II) v Miss S Pitkowski (Fr); N Kulti (Swe) v M Sinner (Ger). No 7 COURT: Miss M Endo (Japan) v Miss G Leon Garcia (Sp.); A Clement (Fr) v L Milligen (GB); M Charpentier (Arg) v C Pioline (Fr); Miss A Grossman (US) v Miss K

No 8 COURT: J Frana (Arg) v M Damm (C2); N Lapentti (Ec) v F Clavet (Sp); Miss M Tu (US) v Miss I Gorrochategui (Arg); Miss B Schett (Austria) v Miss A Carisson (Swe).

No 9 COURT: J Viloca (So) v M

Göllner (Ger); Miss A Sugiyama (Japan) v Miss Y Basuld (Indo); Miss J Walanabe (US) v Miss M

and P Tramacchi (Aus) v B
Behrens (US) and C Haggard
(SA); H Arazi (Mor) v R Reneberg
(US); K Carlsen (Den) v E Alvarez
(Sp); Miss F Perletti (It) v Mrs M
Sanchez Lorenzo (Sp). No 11 COURT: D Dilucia (US) and

No 10 COURT: B Elwood (Aus)

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Valero (Sp) v Miss G Pizzichini (It); F Fetterlein (Den) v J Novak (Cz); Miss N Dechy (Fr) v Miss L Courtois (Bei); Miss L Richterova (Cz) v Miss T Tanasugam (Thai). No 13 COURT: Mrs T Jones (US) v Miss L. DAVENPORT (US); J. Bjorkman (Swe) v. C. Wilkinson (GB); Miss K. Boogert (Holf) v. Miss B. PAULUS (Austria); M. Woodforde (Aus) v. L. Paes (India).

No 16 COURT: L Roux (Fr) v B Steven (NZ); Miss M Maruska (Austrie) v Miss A Gersi (Cz); S Huet (Fr) v J Stark (US); Miss J Kruger (SA) v Miss S de Ville (Bel). No 17 COURT: Miss D Chladkova (Cz) v Miss S Klainove (Cz); D Rikl (Cz) v D Vacek (Cz); Miss M Saeki (Japan) v Mrs P Hy-Boulais (Can); M Tebbutt (Aus) v J Sánchez (Sp). No 18 COURT: Miss H Nagyova (Slovakia) v Miss i SPIRLEA (Rom); W FERREIRA (SA) v S Draper (Aus); Miss L Woodroffe (GB) v Miss P Schnyder (Switz); O Burrleza (Sp) v J Stoltenberg (Aus). No 19 COURT: D Norman (Bel) and K Thorne (US) v R Koenig (SA) and A Rueb (US); M Norman (Swe) v L Herrera (Mex); Miss E Callens (Bel) v Miss P Suarez (Arg); Miss A Otsza (Pol) v Miss L Nemeckova (Cz).

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RUGHY CORRESPONDENT IN THUBBAN

NOWHERE in the world of rugby union does a nation react more vividly to international defeat than in South Africa. Thus, yesterday, the banner headlines on the front pages of the two main Sunday papers, based, respectively, in Jo-hannesburg and Cape Town, read: Boks: What Went Wrong?" and "Boks Blow It", after the British Isles had won at Newlands.

Nor was their any shortage of observers to point out that never, in South Africa's history, has a team lost the opening match of a home series and recovered to win. Before the Lions' 25-16 success, most pundits had tipped South Africa with confidence, while conceding that the Lions had played an entertaining brand of rugby, fit to lay before a crowd overdosing on the fun and fury of the Super 12

Now, there will be further questions regarding the appointment as coach of the inexperienced Carel du Plessis and the form of several players whose skill has been vital to South Africa over the past three years. Joost van der Westhuizen. James Small, André Joubert, Mark Andrews, even the massive Os du Randt, will all be scrutinised by the public before South Africa announce their party this evening for the international in Durban this

There is a lot of hysteria when South Africa lose a test match," Fran Cotton, the Lions manager. said before his team moved to Durban. Nobody knows better than Cotton the tortured path that South African selection can take. since he played in the 1974 series for the Lions when the Springboks capped 32 players in four interna-tionals, including Gerrie Sonnekus, a No 8, at scrum half.

Du Plessis, after only two internationals in charge, will not seek change on so grand a scale, but change there will be: Edrich Lubbe. the Griqualand West centre, has a damaged hamstring, Japie Mulder, his partner, damaged a shoulder in a mighty collision with Lawrence Dallaglio, while Naka Drotske and Henry Honiball are suffering from neck injuries.

"It is a disappointing start to the series, but I believe the right combinations are still in place and I am confident in the ability of this team." Du Plessis said.

It is not a confidence shared elsewhere. Dan Retief, the rugby



South African rugby was turned upside down at Newlands - Gibbs doing just that to Snyman. Photograph: Alex Livesey/Allsport

correspondent for the Sunday Times here, queried the backline display and criticised the lack of authority from such players as Van der Westhuizen and Mark Andrews. Clinton van der Berg, in the Johannesburg-based Independent on Sunday, wrote of a "poverty of imagination and initiative."

Even harsher words came from Gavin Rich in the Sunday Argos. "The tactical naivety and complete non-adherence to the basics of the game are sure to pose question marks over his future," Rich wrote of Du Plessis, while calling for the return of Hennie le Roux, the Gauteng centre who played in the World Cup two years ago. All of which will be meat and

drink to Cotton and the Lions. Apart from a precious victory, they left Newlands with only soft tissue injuries to Gregor Townsend (ribs). Keith Wood (ankle) and Tom Smith (dead leg), all of which will take no more than two days of recovery. To aid the process, the Lions will send only a match squad of 21 on a day trip to Bloemfontein tomorrow for the evening game with the Free

"It was a strange night after the test," Cotton said. "Everyone was

emotionally drained, but we know we will have to raise our sights and our game again. Still, 12 months ago, certain people were denigrating Lions rugby, suggesting it had no place in the modern era. As far as I am concerned, it is one of the great unifying areas of the game for

British and Irish rugby.
"Commercially, it is a fantastic success, and that test was played in a wonderful atmosphere. It was just a great sporting occasion. We ought to be savouring this, not trying to get rid of it. I couldn't believe the amount of red shirts in

Indeed, some 4,000 Britons are estimated to have made the trip, and at times their cheering drowned the home support.

The Lions were also happier with the refereeing of Colin Hawke, the New Zealander who at least allowed second phase to develop and who awarded li penalties against South Africa and only nine for them, symptomatic of the pressure that the Lions created. In Durban, Didier Méné, from France, will handle the international, with the final match, in Johannesburg on July 5, going to Wayne Eriksson, of Australia.

## Odd couple on top when push comes to shove

Mark Souster reports that a front-row gamble came off splendidly for the Lions on Saturday

The first two scrums of the first international broke up with the British Isles front the card when the Lions' fitness came through." row in disarray and penalised. The worst fears of many observers seemed about to be realised. Graham Price, for one, winced. "I thought 'They South Africal are going to demolish us." the former Wales international and Lions

prop said.

Before the game at Newlands, the inclusion of Paul Wallace and, to a lesser extent. Tom Smith, both relative rookies, puzzied some and worried others. The general opinion was that it was a gamble that could backfire. Price was not alone in thinking that Os du Randt, South Africa's 20 stone, 6ft 3in hemoth, could have a field day. Then Price, a veteran of 12 Lions

rience in 1980, when he was pitted against Flippie van der Merwe, the heaviest not bode well' player ever to repre-sent the Springboks.

seven stone heavier than me and Danie Craven's blue-eyed boy. But, by going in low, you could disrupt him. South African props are big and strong but they lack a bit of technique," Price said. Fast forward 17 years to Wallace

versus du Randt and little appears to have changed. While the open-ing scrums did not bode well for the Lions, all it took was a quiet huddle and a quick reappraisal of what was required for the situation to be addressed. Smith and Wallace, the Lions' odd couple, proved that, with the right technique and application, they could comfort-ably hold their own.

Fair play to them, they pulled

themselves together, especially Wallace, who handled du Randt quite admirably," Price said. "Wal-lace was prepared to take his man on, confronting him in the scrum rather than just trying to hold his own. He was taking him down low, not offering du Randt his outside arm for him to use as leverage, and he had du Randt in a

came through."

To think that, barely four months ago, Smith was making his debut for Scotland, while Wallace was a last-minute replacement on this tour for Peter Clohessy. When the Lions arrived, both seemed destined for secondary roles, but have risen to the occasion, leapfrogging Jason Leonard and Dai Young.

Smith, as quiet a man off the field as Wallace is garrulous, said: "We knew they were going to attack us at the set-piece and we knew it was the key. The first scrum was not good from our point of view. There were no excuses, we just didn't set ourselves properly. After that we realised what was required - which

was maximum effort The opening scrums did

Africans South straight on, no mess

ing, see who can shove the hardest. But, in Britain, it is more technically hased, you come up against tight-heads who do drop it and mess you around a bit."

Wallace said: "They came at us very hard - in the first minute they had a good opportunity to hit the scrum and pop the ball in and the referee got on my back for a while Once we had sorted that out and we worked out the need to get the body height lower, things came to fruition. The referee did not penalise me for dropping — it was binding. Once I got the referee's interpretations we could work on

Both players paid tribute to Jim Telfer, the forwards coach. "Jim's been a great help — he drives you fairly hard but you need that for mental toughness when you are absolutely wrecked running around the park and you just have to lift it." Wallace said. "It is good to have that toughness to go that extra yardage." As the Springboks have now found out.



## France stunned as Hardy makes try-scoring debut

By Our Sports Staff

SELDOM can a temporary replacement have changed the course of a game as decisively as Mitch Hardy did for Australia in Sydney on Saturday. Hardy, who came on midway through the second half as a blood replacement for Stephen Larkham, the injured full back, scored two tries to set the Wallabies on their way to a 29-15 victory over France, the five nations' champions.

"I had been looking forward to this game all week and the opportunities fell my way." Hardy said. "It was just sensational, you can't dream it better." Hardy, who was winning his first cap, impressed the national selectors to such an extent that he has been retained in the squad for the second and final international next Saturday, despite the return from injury of Matt

John Eales, the Australia captain, had kept his team in the game with five penalty goals in reply to fine tries by Philippe Bernat-Salles and Thomas Castaignede.

Hardy's interventions, after the sides had been deadlocked at 15-15, rewarded a determined second-half effort by Australia.

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Greg Smith, the Australia coach, pronounced himself happy with the win. "I was very pleased with the performance given that it was our first game this season," Smith said. To beat France is really special."

The France management was not unduly upset about the defeat. "We lost the match in five minutes because of two turnovers," Jean-Claude Skrela, the coach, said. "In the first half we played quite well and we could have scored one or two tries more."

Pierre Villepreux, his assistant, added: There was a problem with the number of penalties we gave away. We were caught offside in the ruck and we will have to work on that before the second Test." Across the Tasman Sea. New Zealand produced an

awesome performance to beat Argentina by a margin of 85 points. New Zealand scored 14 tries, seven in each half, at Athletic Park, Wellington, so often a windswept and raindrenched venue not at all conducive to attacking football. A total of 101 points were scored as the Pumas, who had beaten England earlier this month, went down 93-8.

Ten New Zealand players figured on the scoresheet, Carlos Spencer registering a personal tally of 33 points — a national record - including two tries. Sean Fitzpatrick, the captain, who was playing in his 85th international, also scored a memorable try in which almost the whole XV handled the ball.

There was also a touch of arrogance when Zinzan Brooke, the No 8, executed a perfect cross-kick on the Argentina 22 for his brother Robin to score.

The stunned Argentina players agreed that they had been taught a harsh lesson. "One never expects to lose in this way." Lisandro Arbizu, the captain, said. "We've got to think of the next game and we have got to keep our morale up ... it's happened before where we've started badly in the first Test and come back in the

second."

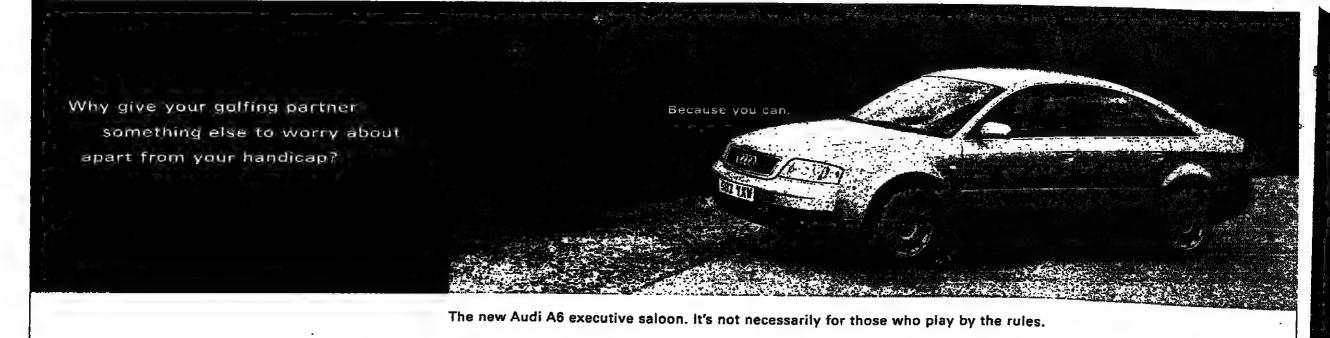
Zimbabwe achieved one of the more unlikely results of the year when they beat Italy 52-39 in Harare on Saturday. Both sides scored six tries, with Douglas Trevella, the Zimbabwe full back, garnering 27 points before going off

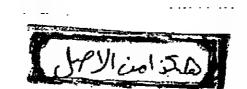
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## Johnson's battlers expose world champions' limited gameplan to draw first blood

## Springboks caught by Lions rampant

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FROM DAVID HANDS MUGRY CORRESPONDENT IN CAPE TOWN

FOR the first time in 23 years, the British Isles won the opening international of a series at Newlands on Saturday. By doing so, the Lions present South Africa with the dire prospect of a second successive series defeat at home unless, within the next 13 days, the Springboks can rediscover a sense of cohesion and discipline so evidently missing here.

On a weekend when all southern-hemisphere apparent that New Zealand. who won in South Africa last summer, lead the rest of the world by a distance. Yet there now seems little between the chasing pack - though, admittedly, the Lions are four of the rest - and certainly not the gap between the two hemispheres that is so frequently debated. To make the point even more forcefully, however, the Lions must win in Durban on Saturday or Johannesburg the following week to clinch the series.

Winning a test in South Africa is something we have dreamed about but it's no good winning one test and losing two," Martin Johnson, the Lions captain, said. "When we've won two, we'll have something to shout

Still, Johnson and his team could savour the sweet taste of victory as the wind gusted in from the ocean and the rain. predicted for the match, swept through the Cape as 50,000 baffled Springbok supporters wended their way home.

Baffled because their team had been exalted to a level above anything the Lions had previously encountered, without the justification of current form — as a unit — to back such prognostications. In the event, they played, or were forced to play, to a limited formula that hinged far too much on the erratic form of Joost van der Westhuizen and, on a day when none of their experienced outside backs howed much penetration.

However, the two elements which not even the most experienced Lion-watchers could guarantee fell into place: t was critical that the tightfive forwards held firm, and they did. It was critical that Matthew Dawson played not only with heart but with judgment, and he did: the little Northampton scrum half made only one error of note, with a kick out of defence which went into midfield and paved the way for a successful penalty goal by Honiball.

Otherwise, his sharing of responsibility with Townsend. his bravery in the tackle and reading of the game were first class; given that he also scored the try - with, ultimately. nonchalant ease - that restored the Lions' lead, then Dawson's contribution is hard to overstate, yet it would not have been possible without the hard work of the forwards of Wood, who was utterly magnificent in covering the ground, of Davidson, who dominated the lineout, of Hill, who played into the faces of

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All these players came of age on Saturday: the stalwart quality of the pack, where Smith and Wallace - despite being penalised twice for lowering the scrum - took notime at all to sort out their initial difficulties, will have heartened the entire team. Overall, victory, attributed by Fran Cotton, the manager, not just to the match XV but the whole 35-strong squad, will tee up the confidence of the Lions for the last fortnight of

the Springbok backs.



Tait, the British Isles wing, touches down for the fourth and final try of the first international between the Lions and South Africa in Cape Town

what bids fair to be an historic

It was deeply significant that the Lions did not play quite the game that South Africa may have anticipated. They were far more structured than at any other time, kicking for territory through the accurate Townsend rather than running themselves into position, waiting for their chance to strike rather than chasing gaps that did not exist. They did not panic, either,

when South Airica had the ball nor when they themselves could not sustain possession for more than short bursts. There was an authority to their play that is the product both of good preparation and self-confidence: when the match could have swung against them, early in the second half - when Bennett's try returned the lead to South Africa or when the same player was denied only by Venter's marginally-forward pass — the Lions played their waiting game.

This time they had to wait until only seven minutes remained on the clock. The first half had been one of wary jousting, Lubbe's opening penalty being matched by Jenkins, but South Africa built growing territorial pressure

until they forced a lineout ten metres from the Lions line. Andrews soared high and du Randt, with the force of his colleagues behind him, rumbled over the try-line. However, Lubbe, as he had

with an earlier penalty, struck the conversion wide and Jenkins, just when the Lions needed his inspiration, kept his team in the match. He missed once but, when his forwards created the chances, kicked two angled goals from 25 metres to give the Lions their 9-8 interval lead.

Lubbe departed with a damaged hamstring during the break, which introduced Ben-

the left wing, where he proceeded to show all the assurance that his colleagues lacked. South Africa persisted with a shallow line and very flat passing which, so long as the Lions made their first-time tackles, could be held; they

nett, normally a full back, to

did, though it was ironic that Gibbs, so destructive in the tackle, should have missed Teichmann when the South Africa captain created space for Bennett's try. The score erased the four-

point difference which Jenkins, with his fourth penalty. had built and, when Honiball added a penalty, the balance

Africa's way. But the Lions had already shown their desire to switch tactics in the second half, moving their heavier opponents round the field more, and twice worked space on the left in attacks that were not pressed home. Jenkins kicked a fifth goal

appeared to be tilting South

out of jail: the first, a knock-on,

earned respite and then a kick

out on the full earned an

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On Friday, Jim Telfer, the

assistant coach, had spoken of

the tunnel into which the

Lions were entering without

knowing whether they would

emerge successfully. Now they

have taken both an historical

and psychological first step:

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attacking lineout.

and Gibbs, with a critical tackle, kept Venter at bay. The defence was awesome." McGeechan said. "We only had one penalty against us for offside defending, which shows what a disciplined performance it was."

Even so, two mistakes by Honiball allowed the Lions

## Nation rises to toast Dawson's moment of magic

FROM DAVID HANDS

HOW sweetly the fortunes of Eight months ago. Matt Dawson was cast down by his omission from the England team to play Italy; on Saturday, the Northampton scrum half was the toast of an entire nation enthused by the British Isles' success in Cape Town.

Dawson's try, in the 73rd minute at Newlands, was the moment when the Lions took a lead over South Africa that they could not, would not relinguish. It was the moment when their famed finishing power, so consistent an element of this tour, came to fruition and when the response of the Springboks indicated that they knew they were a beaten team,

That it came from the set scrum, which South African pundits believed would be an area of Lions weakness, only added the icing to the cake. A wheel to the left opened up a big blind side some 35 metres from the South Africa line and Dawson shot off down it, looking to link with leuan Evans, his right wing.

Evans, however, stepped inside him and Dawson shaped an overhead pass which the defence bought, hook, line and sinker. As the cover checked. Dawson maintained his diagonal run and was able to cross in the corner

For a player capped five times during the 1995-96 sea-



England, before a knee injury disrupted his progress, it was a crowning moment. The initial platform was set by the forwards," Dawson, 24, said. Because we had control, I could get on the outside and away. It was the first ten yards that made it. I suppose you could call it a dummy, but I didn't give it. I haven't got away with that one for a long time, not since school."

It was a try of which Robert Howley, the Cardiff scrum half who would surely have played on Saturday but for the dislocated shoulder he suffered in the game against Natal a week carlier, would have been proud. Before the Lions left home. Howley himself had predicted: "People may have been talking me up on this trip but, by the end of it, I'm sure they'll be talking about Matt and Austin Healey." The South Africa selectors certainly are.

"A couple of us fell for the dummy, Gary Teichmann, their captain, said. "I was there, so was the wing |Russeli Bennetti and André [Joubertl, but it was one we should not have allowed. We thought he was going to pass."

The try also capped a remarkably mature game by Dawson, one in which he met the challenge of Joost van der Westhuizen - whom many consider to be the best in his position in the world - and emerged a winner.

## South Africa pay dearly for mistakes

tory, perhaps not one of the world's greatest games of rugby, but, as a contest, it was enthralling. What won the match was the defence — we sometimes forget that rugby is not just about attack - and the British Isles can be very proud of what they have achieved in Cape Town. The back row defence and the midfield, particularly Gibbs but also Townsend and Guscott, was outstanding. The rugby league boys on this tour have added defensive steel

to the side. The scrummaging did not disintegrate. Although, after the first two scrums, it looked ominous for the Lions, they settled down, recovering from a nervous first five minutes, which was understandable with so many players playing their first tional for the combined British XV. The lineout worked extremely well, Jeremy Davidson winning ball in the middle so much that they did not need to use Martin Johnson

South Africa were sloppy and looked rusty . . . and leaving out their international players from the proRob Andrew believes the hardest task is still to

come against a proud team that can only improve

vincial matches enabled the Lions to build up confidence and momentum. If those players had appeared for Gauteng Lions and Natal, the Lions might have lost those games, which could have had a significant psychological impact. The South Africans had sufficient

possession and played pretty sensibly in the first half, using the short side well with Van der Westhuizen, but while territorially they squeezed the Lions, they looked short of ideas. They did not really put any part of their game together 100 per cent and that is something for the Lions to worry about, because I do not think the South Africans will play quite as badly in the next match. Unforced errors by, in particular, Honiball with a quarter of an hour to go proved to be big turning points. Venter's forward pass to Russell - if that try had gone in, I think the Lions would have lost was followed by Honiball knockingon from a lineout, then kicking out on the full and those incidents, in the space of about a minute, turned the momentum towards the Lions.

The Springboks made probably a dozen serious errors. On their own lineout ball, they missed four or five catches, Joubert dropped the ball twice and made misjudgments with the bouncing ball, while there were several handling errors in the backs. You will not get 12 big errors like that again from a side as good as the Springboks.

South Africa will feel that some of their mistakes gave the game away, but a lot were forced by the intensity of the Lions' defence and, as a result, the Lions have come away with a huge victory that is vital for northern hemisphere rugby as much as anything else. This win ranks with any Lions victory, especially after all the question marks about the initial selection of the squad and for the

They thoroughly deserved the victory, but they have got a lot of hard work to do. South African rugby is highly politicised, which is one of their great weaknesses. They do not like losing at home and expected to win this series 3-0. Now they know they cannot afford to slip again. There will be huge pressure on Carel du Plessis, the coach, and Gary Teichmann, the captain, from a rugby public that lives and breathes

The Lions must enjoy this win, but put it into perspective. They must not underestimate the Springboks' abili-ty to bounce back. England beat them in 1994 in the first international and, in the second, they hit us with a hurricane. If the Lions think they worked hard defensively today, they are going to have to work twice as

series. They must not sit here in two weeks' time having lost the series 2-1 saying "if only". We blew our chance in 1993 against the All Blacks, I blew a chance to win the World Cup in 1991 and you regret it for the rest of

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The Lions have got to grasp this



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## Elliott thrives on England's shortcomings

By ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

· LORD'S (fourth day of five): Australia, with three firstinnings wickets in hand, are 136 runs ahead of England

FOR spectators, groundstaff and anyone Australian, Lord's on another dank day was purgatory. For the England dressing-room, it was provi-dential though not necessarily protective. Even a meagre ration of 17.4 overs on an extended evening has condemned them to a fraught finale to this bedevilled second

It may be thought that only ineptitude on a scale still grander than England have already achieved in this match can now donate the Ashes advantage won barely a fortnight ago, but, to face a deficit of around 180 and bat out five hours on an untrustworthy pitch - the assignment likely to face them this morning — will be a considerable test of

That it should come to this is partly their own doing and partly that of Matthew Elliott, who yesterday completed his maiden Test century on the ground that inspires so many Australians. Elliott had required outrageous good for-tune to make his first halfcentury, but he played with dash and daring yesterday to add 57 from 54 balls.

Partners came and went bewilderingly as Australia. intent on seizing the bonus of some cricket, lost four wickets for 12 in their eagerness to attack. Elliott rose above it. Pulling fearlessly and driving with lordly power and judg-ment, he played with a freedom to mock the constant comparisons with Bill Lawry. that other angular, left-hand-

ed Victorian. Elliott was out in the penultimate over, a well-judged catch at long-leg giving Andy Caddick his fourth wicket of the session. By then, however, he had made England's quest for survival appreciably more difficult than it had promised to be through a day of showers and storms when any play at all had looked improbable.

It was no day to be a groundsman, nor one of his helpers, but, after many hours of to-ing and fro-ing with the covers, their efforts were rewarded by a resumption at 5.40pm, preventing the un-wanted statistic of two lost days in a Test in England for the first time in ten years. Even this brief period was interrupted once by a further shower, but Australia still made the best of it, adding 82 runs. The loss of wickets disturbed them only in terms

Mark Waugh had announced the team's intentions by advancing down the pitch to Caddick, but his improvised drive only flew to third man. where Malcolm clung on

Shane Warne was fruitlessly promoted, top-edging Gough to cover, and when Caddick then swiftly removed Steve Waugh and Michael Bevan it seemed that England's deficit might be contained. Instead, Elliott took command thrillingly. He struck 15 in an over from Gough and pulled Caddick for successive fours as he dropped too short. A drive off Gough was the best stroke of all. The Australian batting is still not functioning as it once did, but this man is a considerable

The paradox of England's cricket to date is that their batting has not been the worst of it. It was inglorious to be bowled out for 77, of course, but not inexplicable, for the pitch was hostile and the bowling of Glenn McGrath superb. The shame came from a session in the field, on Saturday, that would have embarrassed a village team.

Six chances were spurned, three of them as simple as a Test cricketer has any right to expect. Misfields became commonplace and run-out attempts, that previously this summer have hit the stumps unerringly, were now hurled off target, symptomatic of a team that had temporarily lost its belief.

moment of high farce in the tenth over of the Australia innings. Greg Blewett, disconcerted by a steeply-lifting ball from Caddick, jabbed it in a gentle parabola to the slip cordon, where three fielders stood back and left it for each

Blewett made another 29 before being lured out by Robert Croft's drift, but this preceded a scarcely credible passage in which four runs were scored while England missed three chances. The first, a miscued hook from Elliott off the suffering Caddick which lobbed directly to fine leg, will not feature among the favourite video clips in Devon Malcolm's

household. Butcher, for whom things can only get better, dropped Elliott twice more, so that, in effect, he reached 50 on his fourth life. Mark Waugh. iumpily insecure as a measure of both his own form and the nature of the pitch, could have been caught at slip, should nave been run out and mi

The incumbent wicketkeeper, however, was not Alec Stewart, a martyr to one of his periodic back spasms, but John Crawley. For a deputy who has worn the gloves only occasionally since his mid-

even have been stumped.

experience, though not the circumstances. "We are not especially proud of this," he said with understatement. "In many ways, the fielding was more deflating than the bat-ting, because, if we had caught all our catches, they could another win been out of the question." This was no exaggeration. A pitch that bounces as irreguarly as this one can only

deteriorate and, given only slightly better weather, a finish would surely have been

be a dangerous surface, but neither is it one with which anyone at Lord's can feel comfortable. Batting on it has been a precarious business, and will remain so on what may yet be a diverting final

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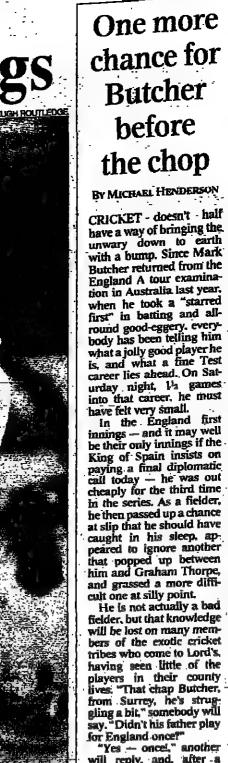
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picnic hampers on the lawns

and complacency,



gling a bit," somebody will say. "Didn't his father play for England once?" "Yes - once!," another will reply, and after a good laugh, they'll go back

to the Rioja.
Lord's is a wonderful place to succeed, and a merciless place to fail. To walk back to the dressingroom through a Long Room that seems ignorant of your presence is to receive the coldest of shoulders. Players from other countries. Glenn McGrath being the latest. often take more encouragement from the ground's famous associa-



Butcher: struggling

cricketers. who dislike being there because they don't feel made welcome. Making young players feel welcome has become the idée fixe of Team England pic. If Lord Mac-Laurin of Knebworth, the voluble chairman of the England and Wales Cricket Board, has his way, the poor sprogs may in future be sent abroad with their own "quality leisure time consultants" advising them how best to while

away those off-duty hours. MacLaurin, the Tesco man, borrowed his slogan from the Co-op for this new "caring sharing" approach. Butcher was the first to benefit when he received his England cap from Michael Atherton on the field, before the start of the first day's play at Edgbaston. That was a nice touch, but having an England cap does not by itself make the recipient a Test cricketer.

He didn't look out of place at Edgbaston, where he caught well and, despite failing twice with the bat, did not look in awe of the bowling. That's a start, for opening the innings in Test cricket is not for bairns. As a new boy. against Australia to boot, it can be a prospect to daunt the least nervous.

On that score, if no other, Butcher should be given one more chance to prove he has that Test career in him. The selectors did not make their choice on a whim and two of them. Gooch and Gatting know just how difficult it is to take that

first, decisive step.

Besides, this is not the time to begin tinkering with a team that was not assembled for a short-term purpose. And the sight of a fellow left-handed opener batting beautifully last night for an admirable hundred can only stiffen the Surrey man's resolve.



Australia won toes

**ENGLAND: First innines** M A Butcher c Blewett b McGrath. (28min, 26 balls, 1 four) \*M A Atherton c Taylor b McGrath (38min. 24 balls)

†A J Stewart b McGrath . (16min, 13 balls) N Huesain ibw b McGrath (110min, 73 balls, 2 lours) J P Crawley c Heely b McGrath (21min, 17 balls)

M A Ealham c Ellott b Reiffel (Simin, 30 balls, 1 four) R D B Croft c Healy b McGrath (18min, 13 balls) D Gough c Healy b McGrath (11mm, 10 balls, 2 fours)

A R Caddick lbw b McGrath (7min, 5 balls) D E Malcolm not out . (2min. 0 balls) Extres (b 4, nb 5).... Total (42.3 overs, 186min) . . . 77

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11 (Athenon 1), 2-12 (Stewart 1), 3-13 (Hussam 1), 4-47 (Hussam 11), 5-56 (Hussam 19), 6-62 (Eatham 5), 7-66 (Eatham 7), 8-76 (Eatham 7), 8-77 (Caddick 1)

BOWLING: McGrath 20.3-8-38-8 (5 fours, 10-2-21-3, 10-3-6-17-5); Relifiel 15-9-17-2 (nb 3: 2 fours; 5-4-1-0, 1-0-3-0, 9-5-13-2); Kasprowicz **Warne 2-0-9-0** (2 tours: one speil).

SCORING NOTES: Second day; Lunch: 38-3 (21 overs, 92min, Hussain 10, Thorps 10)

AUSTRALIA: First Innings

G S Blewett c Hussain b Croft (83mm, 70 balls, 7 fours) M E Waugh o Malcolm b Caddick, 33 (81min, 60 balls, 1 four)

S R Waugh low b Caddick (3mm, 1 ball) M G Bevan c Stewart b Caddick 

P R Relifiel not out.. ...... Extres (b 1, lb 3) ...... Total (7 wkts, 61 overs, 249min) .. 213

M S Kasprowicz and G D McGrath to

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4 (Elliott 3), 2-73 (Elliott 25), 3-147 (Elliott 84), 4-147 (Elliott 84), 5-147 (Elliott 84), 8-159 (Elliott 72), 7-212 (Healy 13).

BOWLING: Gough 20-4-82-2 (13 fours; 5-2-20-1, 3-1-5-0, 5-0-20-0, 6-1-36-1, 1-0-1-0). Caddlek 22-8-71-4 (10 lours; 7-3-19-0, 5-1-15-0, 10-2-37-4); Malcolm 7-1-28-0 (4 lours; 5-1-16-0, 2-0-10-0); Croft 12-5-30-1 (4 lours; 10-5-15-1, 2-0-15-0)

THIRD DAY: Tee: 70-1 (22.1 overs, 90mm; Elbott 23, Blewett 44) Stumps 131-2 (43.2 overs, 168 mm; Elbott 55, Waugh 26). Seven breaks for oad light — 23 1 overs lost. FOURTH DAY: Start delayed until 5.40pm.

UMPIRES: D R Shepherd and S THIRD UMPIRE: D.J. Constant.

baston; England won by nine wickets Tests to come: Second (Lord's) July 3-19-23. Third (Old Trafford): July 34-Fourth (Heacingley): July 24-28. Fifth (Trent Bridge): August 7-11. Shith (The Oval): August 21-25

☐ Complied by Bill Frindall



Elliott hooks powerfully at Lord's yesterday evening on his way to a maiden Test century for Australia

ieens, ne had periormed ci bly, but even a regular and accomplished wicketkeeper would have been tested by the legside chance as Croft saw

Waugh advancing. Yesterday, before handing back to Stewart, Crawley reflected that he had enjoyed the

showing of England's bats

about it.

have been 100 for six and

obtained well inside the dis-

## Lord's mystique lifts McGrath

and hyperbole and op-timism that attended England's victory in the first Test match at Edgbaston, it was easy to lose sight of the fact that if Australia had bowled first, and not Eng-land, the result would almost certainly have been reversed. What cricket there has been at Lord's in the second Test match, has mostly borne that

Once again the ground has brought the best not out of England but out of the old enemy. While Glenn McGrath was running through the England batting on Friday evening and Saturday morning, it came as a reminder, inevitably, of Bob Massie's extraordinary bowling in the corresponding match of 1972. Playing in his first Test, Massie, who was 25 at the time, took eight for 85 in England's first innings and eight for 53 in their second. Whereas McGrath moves the ball mostly off the pitch. Massie swung it in the air, so prodigiously on this occasion as to be quite peculiar. In the same match Dennis Lillee's figures were an unexceptional

four for 140 in 45 overs. That was a truer pitch in 1972 than the present one. which made Massie's achievement all the more notable. And yet within little more than a year he was a spent force, something which he puts down to a loss of rhythm. Nothing is more mortifying to a bowler than to mislay his rhythm. Now that McGrath has recovered his and has settled into an English length, Australia have in him the best of the quicker bowlers on either side. More regularly than anyone else, he will put the ball where the batsmen least want it to be.

Not only was Massie at Lord's last week to watch McGrath, but so was Keith



John Woodcock recalls that Massie took his wickets on a far better surface for batting

Miller who, in 1956, took ten wickets there for the only time in his Test career. Miller loved playing at Lord's almost more than anywhere else. The grandeur of the place appealed to him, and he could exploit the ridge that appeared from time to time on a good length at the Nursery End in the 1950s and 1960s and made him an even more fearsome proposition than usual. It gave all fast bowlers of the day an advantage, besides causing many a broken finger.

For the first Test match in 1960 the pitch was moved by a yard towards the pavilion (not laterally, that is, but longitudely) in the hope of

of the ridge; but South Africa were still bowled out by Brian Statham (II wickets), Fred Trueman, Alan Moss and Ted Dexter for 152 and 137. The first ball of South Africa's first Innings, bowled by Statham, flew off a length and glanced the peak of Jack McGlew's cap, almost turning it back to

> It all made, of course, for some heroic batting too, such as Everton Weekes's 90 in West Indies second innings in 1957. It was after one of those Test matches, before the ground had been cleared, that men appeared with theodolytes and put up a screen around themselves to make sure that secrecy was effected.



McGrath leads Australia off after his eight-wicket haul

## There was quite a forensic air To what extent the poor

man this time was an indictment of the pitch and to what extent it came about because of their technical shortcomings, is a nice point. As a general judgment they are not particularly good when the ball is deviating, playing all their cricket on covered pitches has something to do with this. But McGrath was still horribly difficult to contend with. The bounce was fre-quently unpredictable, and the fact is that Australia would have fared a good deal worse themselves had Engso much time lost to rain, though, the conditions were not without advantage. At least they got the game

moving.
In theory Shane Warne should make the ideal foil for McGrath. I say in theory because in the last four Test innings he has taken one for 235 in 80.3 overs, and that is very unlike him. Like all great conjurers he needs confidence. But without it his act is bound to suffer, and in the two overs he was given on Saturday, he again looked out of sorts.

As a leg spinner, he too should enjoy bowling at Lord's, especially from the Nursery End with the slope in his favour. From the Grandstand boundary to the Tavern boundary the slope is 6ft 6in - about the height of a tall man in a top hat," Sir Pelham Warner used to say. Only William Clarke, the creator of Trent Bridge and founder of the first All-England XI in the middle of the last century, is on record as saying he pre-ferred to bowl his leg breaks against the slope because he turned the ball so much - and he, unlike Warne, was an

## Early euphoria is washed away as harsh reality bites

By Rob Hughes, chief sports writer

hat kind of flannelled fools are we to believe that this summer, after the way euphoria petered out last year. will restore our cricketers to "the best in the world", or will give us another run of Henmania at Wimbledon, or will finally put down those rugby Springboks on their own territory in South Africa? The rain may save England from Australian humiliation at Lord's: it has already been a backlash after Edgbaston that

has watered down the triumphalism and nationalism. But, unless we learn not to play the media game of hype and hope, a game that thrives on selling the story of victory and then denouncing the participants when they fail, we run the greater risk of believing that all is well in the British sporting garden, when we have not laboured sufficiently to build true founda-

The British Isles' victory in the first international in Cape Town on Saturday has been the most impressive mark of the summer. It entailed standing up to South African bullies in rugby shirts and proving superior through physical conditioning and determination at the very end. Yet Martin Johnson, the Lions captain, in contrast to what has been said and written about the cricket, and even the football "triumph" in lifting a trophy in France, brought proper pers-

"To be part of a Lions victory is fantastic, but one is not good enough," Johnson said, soberly and severely. We have to get two. If we do that we can look back on it forever and say we did it. If we be freaked out by getting

caught on one bad toss, one lose two now, we've let ourselves down." Astutely said. No pretensions from Johnson bad innings, if you are professional." about the value to the nation of winning a rugby match, or holds. England have to work even, we may now hope, a series. No idle boast, nothing out how to turn the situation. one-up with four to play in the Test series, into a genuine winning platform. Triumphbut the kind of straightfor-

ward Englishness of going out

into the world and wearing a

cloak of humility while we

compete to the heights of our expacity. How very different at cricker's headquarters. By now, Lord MacLaurin of Knebworth, the highest lord at Lord's, has realised the boomerang effect of his attempts to uplift England through rhetoric that, ultimately,

County weakness ... Warne interest .....

tent patter of rain on canvas, the psychological game played on. Amid the clatter of English wickets, the lowest score of an England team at the home of cricket this century, the Australians, of all people, turned down the hurdles.

"We were caught a little underdone at Edghaston," Alan Crompton, the Australia tour manager, said. "All that is being said is helping to focus us." And Dennis Lillee, that old fast-bowling Australian warrior, had the ear of Glenn McGrath, who was to rediscover his rhythm and his motivation and take an historic eight for 38. "To come here. the home of cricket, and do it on your doorstep, so to speak ... that's the ultimate." Lilice had said. "Besides, you can't

who have come in high expectation, day after day, have might have achieved the oppthemselves made an interest-ing spectacle. Some of them, osite effect. Amid the persisnot with faces painted in the

behind the grandstands. Being British, they still had their lunch; sitting with dampened bottoms beneath large umbrellas and downing the claret. Some traditions may never change and it would be good if we rediscovered the proper place for sport in

society.

That entails not judging everything by the fixation of winning, the lack of worth in losing. The soul of sport is the game itself, the examination of each generation, each selected team, in the field of "play". testing their merit and their

tolerance levels.

It was Einstein who theorised that nationalism is an infantile disease, "the measles of mankind. Sport never should be as sporty, as immature, as that,

## Report exposes weaknesses of county game

SIX weeks remain before the publication of a blueprint for the future of the English game, a document on which, with unambiguous threat, Lord MacLaurin of Knebworth is resting his own future in cricket. The pressure on the counties is growing.

One more

Butcher

MacLaurin, who has brought a rare dynamism to the corridors of Lord's as the first chairman of the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB), is confident of carrying the counties with him, however radical or reformist his proposals may be. Certain county officials, instinctively resistant to imposed change, remain sceptical.

At this sensitive stage, then, it is significant that the Board has chosen to circularise the counties with a report that starkly details their lack of independence. Each of the 18 clubs has received a copy of the 19-page study of the game's finances and few will have enjoyed its conclusions.

Entitled The financial health of English cricket and compiled by a researcher from the University of Sheffield and a professor of the Leicester Business School, the report makes bleak reading for the diehards of the shires. Its principal conclusion - that counties are wholly or partly sustained by their annual grant from the centrally generated source of international cricket — will surprise few. It goes on to state that "county cricket has no significant support from the general public", the proportion of revenue provided by members' subscriptions is falling" and "commercial income is insufficient to support the present structure".

These are cold, hard facts, but its contention that "it is difficult to see how county cricket could survive in its current form without this level of grant income" will cut deepest at the complacents





Championship Commentary

who still retard the logical advances of the game. Peter Edwards, the general

manager of that most reactionary of counties, Essex, had his say on the imminent blueprint in this column recently. He does not believe great changes are essential and he contends that many of his colleagues around the country share his view. Interestingly, however, ac-

claim for the new report came this week from Lancashire, whose chief executive, John Bower, welcomed it as "justifying precisely what I have been saying at Board meetings for some time". And Lancashire. the study reveals, are in a position of rare strength. Only 14 per cent of the club's total income during the studied year of 1995 was contributed by Board grant. By comparison, the grant was responsible for 50 per cent of income, or more, at six counties.

The most reliant of all was Leicestershire, the county champions, who, it is said, need to increase their "earned income" by 172 per cent in order to eliminate their dependence on central hand-outs.

· County cricket's total costs in 1995, the report adds, were



Boon: inspiration

(1996 positions in brackets)

☐ Worcestershire's record includes eight points as side batting last in match where scores finished level

#### THE English cricket season

receipts from the general pub-lic defrayed only five per cent

of this total". Such figures may

just help to remind the county

delegates that the health and

performance of the England

team is paramount to the

survival, let alone prosperity of their clubs. Whether it will

persuade them of the need to

adopt a two-division county

Lancashire, who have long

roposed such a move, may

ind themselves in the second

division if it should come

about. They suffered their fourth defeat of a melancholy

season at Liverpool on Satur-

day, when Glamorgan bowled

them out for 51 to win a game

This was a remarkable re-

versal of roles. Precisely a week ago, Glamorgan were themselves dismissed for 31 by

Middlesex. Now, within 14

overs of mayhem in which

Wagar Younis included a hat-

trick in figures of seven for 25,

they humiliated a county that

continues to bely its evidently robust resources with spine-

It is true that Lancashire

were without five senior play-

ers, but their membership -

the biggest of any county -

may be tiring of such excuses.

They now stand one place and

two points off the foot of the

table, having played a match

more than the team below

At the other end of affairs,

Middlesex took charge with

an important and hard-fought

win at Bristol. Gloucestershire

have steel in their cricket this

year and, on a pitch marked as

poor and earning the club a

suspended ten-point deduc-

tion after official inspections,

they fell only 45 runs short of a

daunting target of 263.
Middlesex, for whom Jamie

Hewitt continues to impress, take over the leadership from

ship matches.

them, Northamptonshire.

less championship cricket.

that had lost almost three days

to the weather.

championship is debatable.

would not be complete without one of the counties indulging in internal wrangling and this year's front-runners are Derbyshire, whose changingroom became so fractious over the opening weeks of the summer that Dean Jones, their captain, packed his bags and left town. Yet even the departure of the abrasive Australian has not mollified the situation. Rumour, paranoia and division would seem to remain in abundance.

By Barney Spender

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As Kim Barnett pointed out last week, when he was fined for breaking a press ban and commenting on the Dean Jones affair, nine out of ten of his team-mates, as well as Dominic Cork and the team physio, offered to contribute towards reimbursing the cost of his remarks, the point being that only one man was keeping his hand firmly in his pocket and not participating in the team's bonding process Taken in tandem with his banishment from the slip cordon, where he excels, to the deep in the game against Sussex, it did not take Sherlock Holmes to work out that the odd man out is Chris

Depending on who you talk to, Adams is either a great guy or an arrogant so and so. The truth probably lies some-where in the middle, but what cannot be doubted is that he is a high quality middle-order batsman, who stands on the cusp of an international career. He readily talks of a "burning ambition" to play for England and his performances in county cricket speak for themselves. Last year, he hit six championship hundreds and helped himself to more than 1,500 runs, while this summer, in spite of the problems at Derby, he has aiready passed the 500 mark. His attacking nature, which gives him a strike-rate of 90 runs per 100 balls, brought him to within a whisker of making England's Texaco

Trophy squad. Yet he is a troubled soul. He tried to leave the county last



Adams remains isolated from family

Adams, a batsman with England ambitions, has stood alone in a Derbyshire dressing-room riven by disputes

eason after being overlooked for both England tours, but was persuaded to stay by Jones, to whom he remains fiercely loyal. With Jones now gone, his future, at the age of again looks uncertain.

"It has been a harrowing time for me," he admitted, in an interview that was monitored by the club's chief executive, Stuart Edwards, under the guideline that there was to be no direct comment on events of the last week. 'Dean Jones is a legend as far as I am concerned. I am amazed at how professional

the guy is. He is an innovator, a real batter's batter. He takes the idea that you play aggressively and build defence into fined for appearing to dispute his first-innings dismissal, leg-before to Shane Warne, that, which is the opposite, I think, to what people in England generally think. something he regrets. "The

He has definitely shown me the way that I want to build an innings and play cricket. Now I no longer have Dean with me, but I still have contact with the coach, Les Stillman, who has also been a big influence." However, with Stillman's position also clouded with uncertainty, Adams may soon be further

but that was definitely a one-If there was a hint of

isolated. He is no stranger to

making the headlines. In Der-

byshire's win over the Austra-

lians three weeks ago, he was

footage shows that I hit it and,

when I first looked up, the

umpire didn't have his finger

up. The first I knew about it

was when Shane Warne ran

past me to go and celebrate. I

was surprised to say the least,

frustration then, there is twice as much now and Derbyshire, having already lost John Morris and Peter Bowler in recent years, are now surely resigned to losing Adams at the end of the summer.

Although Adams cannot comment on that, he remains, at the same time, optimistic and resigned to his future. "I think I am playing my best cricket, although I am only approaching my prime," he said, "but I just want to get through the season and then maybe there'll be the chance

## Smith knocking on England's door

Kent, the casualties of a result what he has to do to every neutral will welcome. break into the Eng-With no need of contrivance land team because David but with much resolute cricket, Durham bowled out Kent Graveney has had a word with for a second time to secure him. Try to score a few more advised, work as hard as you David Boon, whose captaincan to improve your fielding, cy has helped to generate selfand you will be there or thereabouts.

belief in place of fatalism, From that, it is safe to scored only one run in the match, but ended it by taking assume that Graveney, who two wickets with his occasionhas followed Smith's career al off-breaks. Durham, this since he made his Gloucestermorning, have five counties below them. More important, shire debut in 1991, is already sufficiently impressed with the left-arm swing bowling that has brought him 42 first-class they will feel that winning is not quite the impossibility it seemed for so long. wickets at only 15 runs apiece

Scoreboards, page 33 The other two selectors,

Graham Gooch and Mike Gatting, should not take much convincing. Smith has got them both out in recent weeks. claiming Gooch leg-before, the classic mode of dismissal for a his type, and ing Gatting neck and crop, admittedly on a devilish pitch at Bristol. Since he had Gatting dropped first ball and then clipped his off stump

without dislodging a bail, he had more than made his point. Gooch and Gatting are not quite the batsmen they used to be, of course, but they are still good players. And it is Smith's ability to get good players out that has taken him ahead of the likes of Mark Ilott, Alan Mullally and Simon Brown

Pat Gibson meets a

swing bowler who could add variety to

when the selectors think about

adding variety to the England attack If they need any confirma-tion of that ability, they only have to talk to Jack Russell,

who keeps wicket to Smith day in and day out. "In my experience," Russell said "a lot of Test wickets are very flat and quick bowlers do need to swing the ball to get international batsmen out. Smudge

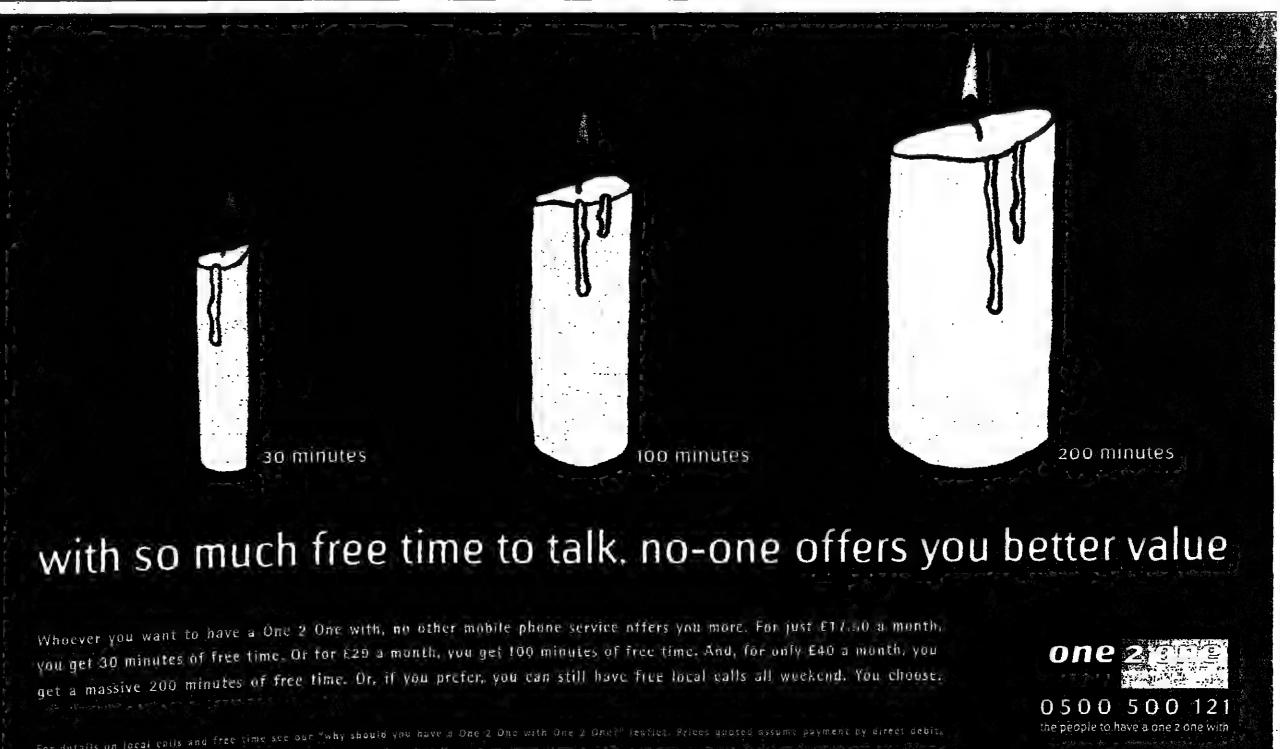
swings it late.

'He is not one of those guys who swing it from the arm. Occasionally he does, but geneven the last yard that it goes whoosh. He can make it go both ways as well and at a lively pace."

It is not just Smith's bowling that has impressed Russell so much this season. "We have been trying to tell him for years that he is a top-class bowler," he said, "and now he has started to believe it himself. The last time Courtney Walsh was not with us, he took full responsibility for the attack and he is doing it again."

his lack of confidence has held him back in the past. That may have something to do with the treatment he received erally it is when he puts it into from his native Yorkshire. at every level up to under-19 but was never even given a chance in the second team. Eventually he asked for his

release and made his way to Gloucestershire via Exeter University, where he gained a degree in French and German. It looked like coming in handy in 1993, when he began to despair of making the grade as a professional cricketer, but he decided to give it one more season and has been improving ever since.



CRICKET

## Warne the talk of Trent Bridge for next season

By RICHARD HOBSON

won toss): Nottinghamshire (4pts) bt Yorkshire by 13 runs (D/L method)

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE confirmed yesterday that they have held talks with Shane Warne as they seek an overseas player for next season. The Australia leg spinner wants to play county cricket in 1998 and Northamptonshire, Warwickshire and Gloucestershire are also believed to be interested.

Warne met Stuart Foster, the Nottinghamshire cricket committee chairman, when Australia faced the county in a Tetley's Challenge Series match ten days ago. Notting-hamshire have not yet made an offer, but have asked Austin Robertson. Warne's manager, to keep them in-

Nottinghamshire are already well connected with the player. Among his myriad

LANCASHIRE moved to the top of the Axa Life League yesterday despite their match against Glamorgan at Old Trafford being abandoned 112 hours before the scheduled start. Essex, who were the leaders, had only 80 minutes' play in their first-class match against Oxford University at Chelmsford before a heavy thunderstorm caused the game to be abandoned.

sponsorship deals, Warne is contracted to Gunn and Moore, the Nottingham-based batmakers and equipment manufacturers, whose managing director. Peter Wright. is a member of the county's cricket committee and the finance committee chairman.

Although the New Zealander Chris Cairns is signed to return to the club next season, there is a clause in his contract that allows Nottinghamshire to look elsewhere if they feel he will be absent for too long through international commitments. With New Zealand due to tour Sri Lanka in May and June the likelihood is that they will seek an alternative.

Warne has a busy winter schedule as Australia host New Zealand and South Africa before touring New Zea-land and India. However, in a ghosted article in the Sunday Mirror, he stated: "We are free once the indian tour ends in

TRENT BRIDGE (Yorkshire early May so that would give me the English summer clear. This chance to join an English county is unlikely to arise again for some time."

Two seasons ago Warne was close to signing for Northamptonshire before being discouraged by the Australia Cricket Board (ACB). Nottinghamshire insist they

will heed the lesson of this year, when they were still looking for a replacement for Cairns when the season began. They were turned down by Lance Klusener, the South Africa fast bowler, and had to replace Mohammad Zahid after the Pakistan bowler arrived from the Test series against Sri Lanka with a back injury.

Nathan Astle, their fourth choice, did not make an appearance until June 4.

"We do not want to be in the situation where we are rushing around again next April and May," Foster said. "We have got to explore other options to Chris Cairns and when a player of Warne's quality comes along we must

Nottinghamshire paid Garry Sobers, the West Indies captain, £5,000 for the 1968 season; Warne might expect to command a package ap-proaching 50 times as much in becoming the highest-paid player on the county circuit. As speculation about Warne

spread like Chinese whispers around the ground, it was easy to forget the AXA Life League game in progress yesterday. A series of interruptions ensured regular reference to the logarithms of Messrs Lewis and Duckworth, but, in gloomy light. Nottinghamshire eventually assumed control.

Chris Silverwood restricted them to 30 for three with a lively opening burst, but an unbroken fifth-wicket stand of 83 in ten overs between Ashley Metcalfe and Graeme Archer helped Nottinghamshire to 169 for four from 30 overs. Metcalfe, playing against his former county, scored 70 from 60 balls with seven fours.

A further delay altered the target to 143 from 23 overs, Darren Lehmann and David Byas took Yorkshire to 57 for one in the eleventh over. However, Astie and Mark Bowen each claimed two cheap wickets as the visitors lost their way in rapidly deteriorating light.



Dakin, the Leicestershire batsman, is beaten by a ball from Burns in the rain-affected match at Bath yesterday

## Bowler pays for wrong decision

BY SIMON WILDE

BATH (Somersel won toss): Leicestershire (4pts) beat Somerset by 17 runs (D/L method)

LEICESTERSHIRE will be telling themselves they still retain a serious interest in the Axa Life League after this comfortable defeat of Somerset, which gave them a fourth win to set against three defeats this season. They were extremely fortunate that just enough cricket was played by seven balls — to constitute a match under league rules, but, by the time the final downpour came, they were in a position of great strength.

A resumption would have left Somerset — who may lose as much as £18,000 from this rain-ruined festival - with an almost impossible task, Leicestershire having batted first and done very creditably to score 166 for eight from 32 overs on an unresponsive

surface and slow outfield.

Somerset had reached 30 for one from II overs in reply and were struggling to get up a head of steam. With rain-clouds gathering. Bowler and Turner began throwing the bat in an effort to get ahead of the clock before a stoppage, but failed hopelessly against the composed bowling of Parsons and Millns. who had produced a fine out- runs at No 3, and a strokeswinger to remove the struggling Lathwell. Amazingly, Somerset had still scored nothing but singles when the rain arrived at 6.15pm, at which point they were 17 short of a winning total under the Duckworth-Lewis system.

Bowler's gyrations were particularly frantic and he may have been rueing his earlier tactics. Despite the uncertain weather, he surprisingly chose to field first and also raised eyebrows by sticking to his usual batting order. He would surely have given himself a better chance had he opened with Turner, who has been making good league maker, such as Ecclestone. Leicestershire's innings was

a good team effort. Johnson and Wells, the openers, had been nipped out by the lively Parsons and Maddy, after stroking two lovely on-drives. also fell cheaply before the side worked out the pace of the pitch. After that, there was rarely a point at which someone was not working the ball around. Whitaker, Dakin. Nixon and Sutcliffe all doing so to great effect.

Somerset bowled and fielded purposefully, but could not keep the run-rate below five an over. They soon discovered what a good rate that was.

Warren steers Northamptonshire to victory NORTHAMPTON (Northamptonshire two balls over mid-wicket for sixes and won toss): Northamptonshire (4pts) beat then add a four when the visiting fielders the early loss of openers Loye and had closed in to prevent a single. His Penberthy, it seemed a tall order.

VICTORY looked to have eluded Northamptonshire until Russell Warren launched a last-gasp assault and steered his side to an astonishing victory by four

John Stephenson, the Hampshire captain, took the responsibilty of bowling the final over, only to see Warren put his first prodigious hitting produced 16 runs and an amazing climax.

Matthew Hayden and Jason Laney. the Hampshire openers, had earlier put their side in what seemed to be a commanding position, their stand of 105 laying the foundations for a total of 159 for two in only 23 overs after several rain interruptions.

Northamptonshire were left chasing a

Curran hit 41 and then Bailey, the captain, who made 50, and Warren (43 not out put on exactly 50 for the sixth wicket. Then Warren provided the lastditch heroics to secure Nothamptonshire's fourth Sunday league win of the

Hampshire have offered Chetan Patel, the Oxford University seam bowler, a contract for the rest of this season.

## Middlesex seniors let down junior partners

By PAT GIBSON

BRISTOL .. (Gloucestershire won toss): Gloucestershire (4pts) bt Middlesex by 55 runs

MIDDLESEX are a strange side these days. Some 24 hours after going to the top of the county championship, they capitulated to their sixth defeat in eight Axa Life League games in a manner which revived memories of their Benson and Hedges Cup humiliation against Ireland.

It would be easy for them to blame this latest one-day defeat on the fact that they had to field one of the most inexperi-enced attacks in the county's history, but it would be quite wrong. Their young seamers, two making their debuts and a third playing only his fourth game, did not let them down: their full-strength batting line-

Middlesex, Ramprakash, Gatting and all, had collapsed to 66 for five in pursuit of Gloucestershire's 232 for six. before Owais Shah, another young man making his first Sunday appearance of the season, showed them what could have been achieved with an unbeaten 65.

Perhaps they had been unnerved by the sight of David Bridle, the Bristol groundsman, putting the stumps in the same rogue pitch which had been used for the championship match — but it turned out that he was only joking. He soon moved them to a flatter strip a couple of yards away and the Gloucestershire batsmen showed what they thought of that by leaving

their helmets in the pavilion. In the circumstances, Middlesex did not bowl that badly. They were without Fraser and Johnson but the new boys acquitted themselves well. Tim Bloomfield had Cunliffe caught behind in his first over and Neil Martin, only 17, tore in to claim Wright leg-before with his second ball. Martin also bowled Young with what turned out to be a no-ball before running into the kind of problems that can face any bowler confronted by players who can hit with the power of Young and Lynch.

Together they put on 116 in 16 overs with Lynch setting the pace. He had just reached 50 off 55 balls with seven fours. when Hewitt, the most experienced of the Middlesex seamers, returned to have him

caught behind. Young, the burly Tasmanian, went on to an undefeated 89, including nine fours, off 94 balls and with his captain. Alleyne joining him in a fourth-wicket stand of 56 in nine overs, Gloucestershire were able to set a target which was even more challenging than it looked.

Middlesex had bowled their overs so slowly that they were not only fined £660 but lost two overs of their own. In the event it hardly mattered. Kallis, Ramprakash and Gatting all perished to the lively Lewis in his first six overs and then Weekes and Pooley fell to Sheeraz. It was left to Shah, still 18 and just back from his A-levels, to give Middlesex a measure of respectability as he added 76

with Hewitt.

## Brave rally too late for Surrey's talent and tripe mix

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By DEREK HODGSON

WORCESTER (Worcestershire won toss): Worcester-shire (4pts) beat Surrey by even wickets

IN this surprising summer,

Worcestershire, after a poor start, could win a one-day competition. They have, at full strength, the right stuff. Surrey, the league champions, remain the most infuriating mix of talent, temperament and tripe since Malcolm Allison's Manchester City. They rallied commendably,

after collapsing to 59-8 in blameless conditions, but 150 was no target to defend. They had lost two wickets before scoring a run. Ally Brown hoisted the third ball of the innings high to deep midwicket where it appeared to be sailing over Graeme Hick's head until, at the last second, he put up his right hand and pulled the catch out of the clouds. Ian Ward tried to turn the last ball of the second over and was caught down the leg-

If Steven Rhodes could have hung on to a diving onehanded catch off Ratcliffe the score would have been 43; Adam Hollioake waved vaguely to make it 15-3; Nadeem Shahid was run out, backing up, by Bobby Chap-man's deflection of Ratcliffe's drive; Chris Lewis could be charitably described as look-ing nonplussed: Ratcliffe was trapped, going back while James Knott was bang in front 13 overs gone, 36-7.

Ben Hollioake played the shot of the day, an off-drive off David Leatherdale that was timed perfectly, as sweet as a prised by the change of pace represented by Almagir Sheriyar — he tamely chipped his first ball to short midwicket. Then the Seventh Cavalry, or more accurately, as it was Saglain, the Bengal Lancers, arrived to supple ment the thin red line of Martin Bicknell

Bicknell's driving would have impressed his brother. Saglain swung - two sixes off Chapman; over extra and third man - and ran. The pair added 83 in 19 overs. Bicknell's 50 came off 67 balls, with seven fours, and represented his Sunday best, while Saglain looked immovable until he tried to send Sheriyar into the stratosphere and was caught by a patiently waiting bowler.

Surrey bowled and fielded better than they batted. Tom Moody, who has missed almost a month with a flu virus, demonstratedd returning strength by hitting Bicknell through the hedge at the Diglis End but was caught off the same bowler by Knott, standing up - a coup that would have delighted his dad.

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Vikram Solanki became Knott's second victim, essaying a leg glance, while Hick, always the crucial figure. drove Benjamin at bullet speed to cover where Lewis had one of his magical moments, taking a brilliant catch

ankle high. Haynes and Reuben Spiring marched Worcestershire home, while Saqlain's spin brought a touch of class to the closing overs.

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#### YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS Axa Life League FALL OF WICKETS 1-16, 2-20, 3-43, 4-53, 5-66, 6-101. **Durham v Kent**

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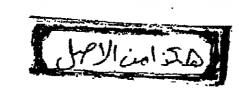
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## Kent make heavy weather of victory

BY IVO TENNANT

DARLINGTON (Kent won toss): Kent (4pts) beat Durham by 16 runs

AFTER their notable, even remarkable victory the previous day. Durham could not quite bring off another triumph yesterday. In what was a low-scoring contest, surprisingly so, since the ball did not deviate to any extent. Kent's expertise in limited overs

cricket, was ultimately telling. Nobody on either side scored a half-century, but there was a contribution from Graham Cowdrey that Kent could hardly have expected given that he had not batted since the start of the month and did not appear fully fit: their bowling was markedly niggardly, too. They have had better attacks than this down the years, but there is a pleasing balance about their side that augurs well for the Benson and Hedges Cup final.

But, at one stage, it was a question of which of the fast or fast-medium bowiers would effectively win the match for Durham. John Wood, stung by having been told by Geoff Arnold, the Durham bowling coach, that his performance at Fenner's a week ago amounted to "some of the worst newball bowling I have seen", took four for 17 and Alan Walker, a jobbing seamer, four for 18. These were their best figures in this competition.

In terms of statistics, Headley could not quite match that. Marsh sensibly gave him one, initial spell, for Kent had to take wickets rather than merely restrict their opponents' scoring. Speight was taken at first slip, Morris at point, but not before he had struck 47, and Speak, who is completely out of touch, was

Marsh needed to find another bowler who would give him a similar return with

what was becoming an increasingly slippery ball. McCague did knock out Boon's off-stump, but Lewis and Collingwood added 41 in what, seemingly, was a matchwinning partnership. The important breakthrough for Kent came when McCague came back at the Town End and, in indifferent light. yorked Lewis. Foster soon followed and there was too much for the tail to do in the closing overs. Even so, for Durham to

have beaten such opposition in the championship and to have given them a close game yesterday in a week in which Boon has hardly made a run. has to be heartening. It is not quite the same as Darlington trouncing Arsenal, but Kent came here as county championship leaders and were well placed in the Sunday League. They have not batted well. Cowdrey struck 46 off 62 balls. including a six off Boiling but otherwise. Kent baned as if unaware that Durham can

Wood, for instance, has been working on his bowling with Arnold every lunchtime over the past few days. That, and the criticism he has received, has evidently worked. Fulton was bowled, playing on, and Marsh, Cowdrey and McCague were held off skiers. Walker, who hitherto had figures of one for 167 in Sunday cricket this season, also maintained the ideal line.

no longer be considered also-

Of the upper order, Matthew Walker pulled a ball to mid-on that was not short enough for the shot. Fleming was leg-before to Foster, swinging to leg. Wells was bowled by a slower one and Ward was leg-before when half forward. The tail contributed little, but, in the field, Kent were nothing if not



## West Indies assume command

SCOREBOARD FROM ARNOS VALE

ARNOS VALE (third day of five): West Indies, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 49 runs ahead of Sri

WEST INDIES had confidently erased a first-innings deficit of 75 and began to build a solid lead when heavy rain swamped the ground on the stroke of lunch on the third day of the second Test against

Sri Lanka yesterday.
Resuming on 19 without loss, West Indies were 124 for two at lunch, 49 runs ahead. Brian Lara was unbeaten on 27 and Floyd Reifer on 14, although play seemed unlikely for the remainder of the day as puddles formed on the outfield in the torrential rain. Sherwin Campbell and Stu-

art Williams, the West Indies openers, who added a matchwinning 160 in the opening march of the series, again provided an enterprising start. They added 62 aggressive runs for the first wicket in an hour before Campbell was bowled for 33.

Ravindra was Pushpakumara, the pace

bowler, who took five wickets in the first innings, who made the breakthrough. He had been carved over backward point and on-driven through square leg for boundaries in the over, but he had his revenge by ripping out Camp-bell's leg stump off the inside edge. Campbellhit six bound-

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aries and faced 35 balls. Williams was within four of

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indicated that the ball may caught off bat and glove at have rebounded off the right silly point by Sanath Jayasuriya off Muttiah glove, which was removed from the bat. Brian Lara, who was pro-Muralitharan. Doug Cowie, of New Zealand, consulted moted above Reifer to the No 3 with Steve Bucknor, his colposition, took a while to settle. league standing at square leg. But he started to blossom just

to confirm that the ball carried

to the fielder, who held the

catch just above the ground.

However, television replays

BOWLING: S C de Sive 6-0-31-0; Pushpakumara 9-2-42-1, Murakharan 11-2-34-1; Dharmasena 6-1-15-0.

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-62, 2-92

before the interval. He had batted for an hour and a quarter, hitting just one four. Reifer, in only his second Test, also emerged from an uncertain start and a few confident appeals with growing assurance. He hit two boundaries in his 35 minutes at the crease. Pushpakumara has taken one wicket for 42

runs off nine overs. Muralitharan has one for 34

off II overs. Sri Lanka were restricted to a first innings lead of 75 on the second day by the off spin of Carl Hooper. The Sri Lan-kans lost their last seven wickets for 44 to be all out for

Hooper took five for 26 off

13.4 overs, his best figures in first-class cricket and his third five-wicket haul in his 64th Test. Rain forced three interruptions in the day.

FOOTBALL

## Asprilla ready to return to his former club

By JOHN GOODBODY AS Faustino Asprilla was pre-

paring to leave Newcastle United yesterday, Peter Beardsley announced that he wanted to stay at the FA Carling Premiership club. Asprilla is ready to return to his former Italian club, Par-

ma, because he wants the

guarantee of first-team football to secure a place in the Colombia team for the 1998 World Cup finals, Although Kenny Dalglish has played Asprilla more regularly than did his managerial predecessor at St James' Park, Kevin Keegan, the Colombian has not been an automatic selection. Nor does the prospect of Newcastle playing in the European Cup Champions' League next season offer a big enough temptation for him to stay on Tyneside - Parma have also qualified for the Champions' League after finishing second in Serie A. Gustavo Mascardi, Asp

rilla's agent, is reported to be negotiating a deal with Parma while the player himself told an Italian newspaper: "My only regret will be disappointing the Newcastle supporters. They have been magnificent to

Although Beardsley was on the bench for the last nine games of last season, the former Liverpool, Everton and England player was adamant yesterday that he wanted to remain at the club in the autumn of his career. Hull City and Stoke City have reportedly tried to tempt Beardsley with a role as player-manager, but the 36year-old said: "I would like to stay on at Newcastle and it's up to them to make me an offer. I think I have a couple of years left playing top-flight football." If not with Newcastle, then Beardsley may do

Argentina, who had two players sent off and were involved in a large-scale brawl on their last visit to Bolivia less than three months ago, were involved in another violent match when they went out of the Copa America on Saturday. The Argentinians had

so with Bolton Wanderers,

who have also expressed an

interest in signing him.

three players sent off as they suffered a shock 2-1 quarterfinal defeat to Peru. Their previous defeat had

been in April's World Cup qualifier in La Paz, when they lost 2-1 to Bolivia. On that occasion, two Argentinians were sent off, the goalkeeper Ignacio Gonzalez, head-butted an opponent in an incident missed by match officials and the entire team became involved in a brawl with members of the Bolivian bench. The fight, which needed police intervention, held up play for ten minutes. This time, the incident that

sparked the violence occurred in the 72nd minute. Argentina, trailing 2-0, were awarded a penalty, which was converted by Marcello Gallardo, but



Asprilla: keen to move Miguel Miranda, the Peru goalkeeper, refused to give the ball back and a brawl ensued. Gallardo and Eduardo Berizzo were both sent off and were later joined by Zapata, who received a red card for a second bookable

Although Argentina took a

weakened team to the Copa America, their coach, Daniel Passarella, said of the defeat by Peru: This team is the Argentinian national team. All of these players are topflight players. We were eliminated by our own failings. However, when I took over, said the priority was to qualify for the World Cup, which we are doing. Not to qualify for the World Cup would be failure."

## SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

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S A J Boswell not out
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Second Innings Extras (b. 11, 1b. 1, nb. 16) ........ Total (3 wice) ... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-27, 3-31. BOWLING: Milns 8-4-24-2; Multally 10-1-39-0; Ormond 7-1-21-1; Wells 2-0-8-0; Person 9-1-29-0; Johnson 2-0-3-0; Sutcliffe 1-0-12-0.

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## RUGBY LEAGUE: BRISBANE COACH WARNS OF NEED FOR CHANGE IN BRITISH GAME AFTER YET ANOTHER HUMILIATION IN AUSTRALIA

## **Blue Sox** wear red faces after record loss

BY CHRISTOPHER INVINE

A 76-0 drubbing yesterday by Brisbane Broncos, the Australasian Super League leaders, left Halifax Blue Sox. who conceded 204 points in their three matches in Australia, reflecting on the biggest defeat in their history. As well as self-recrimination, it prompted Wayne Bennett,

the Brisbane coach, to spell out a number of hard truths about rugby league in Great Halifax feebly conceded 15

tries, "I take no joy from such an easy win," Bennett said. "It was almost embarrassing. The British administrators need to take a long hard look at themselves. It says something that six English Super League coaches were sacked before the season was half over. That shows real prob-lems in the English game. The buck shouldn't stop with the coaches. It's the administrators that should be held

"Administration is the key to it all. If they don't make some changes to themselves, then they'll never solve the problems below them. I see Joe Lydon [the Rugby Foot-ball League technical director) has been appointed to a position in England to review everything. I hope that Joe doesn't listen to those close to him, but those in need of the

Whilst scathing of his players and their commitment, John Pendlebury, the Halifax coach, said one of the prob-lems was recruiting individuals of sufficient standard. He criticised the way that clubs have sought out Australian players, who could not make it in either the Australasian Super League and Australian Rugby League

"That's only a quick fix," Pendlebury said. "Coaches inherit problems and unless they get instant results, they are skating on thin ice."

Halifax have three weeks to prepare for the return legs against Canterbury, Canberra and Brisbane. Karl Harrison, the club captain, said: "We have learnt the hard way. We now have to look at ourselves in the mirror and ask ourselves how we are going to regroup. That's going to be a truly mammoth

Yesterday's rout at ANZ Stadium could have been worse. Darren Lockyer missed seven relatively easy conversion attempts and Bennett spared Halifax the problems of coping with Allan Langer, Kevin Walters and Steve Renouf, his three main strike players, in the second half. By the break, Brisbane were already cruising 42-0 and were well on their way to exceeding their previous highest score, 56-6, against South Sydney in 1995.

Darren Smith and Wendell Sailor both scored hat-tricks. Renouf triggered the on-slaught in the fourth minute and Anthony Mundine, his centre partner, scored the first of his two tries a few minutes later. The fact that Halifax never looked like scoring compounded their misery as Brisbane repeated their feat against Wigan in their previous championship outing of not having a point put past

Before the St Helens game against Penrith last night, Australian sides had rattled up 330 points and outscored the motley European contin-gent by 52 tries to 15 in the third round of competition. Overall, Europe trail by 24 wins to three.

In Townsville on Saturday Salford Reds held North Oueensland Cowboys 8-8 at half-time, but then conceded seven tries in a 44-8 reverse. The awarding of eight straight penalties to the home side by Brian Grant brought a complaint from Andy Gregory, the Salford coach. "No team is going to win against an Australian side when the referee gives you absolutely nothing in the second half," Gregory

Andy Platt, the Salford captain, was more circumspect in his judgment. "We put the Cowboys under pressure in the first half and reaped the benefits, but after half-time we was the old familiar story of the British clubs. Our biggest problem is that we can't concentrate for the full 80 minutes. We can go 40 to 50 minutes and then we start to fall off tackles."



## Wigan stare at yawning chasm in class

Canberra Raiders.... Wigan Warriors ...

By Chiustopher Irvine

AS IF enough assumptions have not been made to appear-foolish already in the past three weeks, the one about Great Britain remaining competitive against Australia at international level, even though British clubs are being humiliated in the Visa world club championship, looked somewhat forlorn yesterday at Bruce Stadium. Given that Wigan might contribute and Canberra possibly the same for Australia, the caning the Warriors took from the championship favourites illustrated starkly differences in standards, quality and

Canberra's domination, coming close to beating Wigan's record 58-3 defeat by Leeds in 1972, would be explained too simply as another off day for the Britons. Eric Hughes, the Wigan coach, said: "The problem with some players is that they think they are better than they are and, when they come here and get their backsides kicked, it's one way of telling them that they've got to work harder. Some will run away, but eventually we'll get

That Wigan "won" the second half 16-14 showed that spirit had not been crushed entirely. Self-inflicted wounds and the ferocity with which Canberra hounded them and scored at more than a point a minute in the first half left pride as the one commodity intact after a beating to match the one meted out six days earlier by Brisbane

It might be assumed that Canberra

and Brisbane will find Wigan far less accommodating in next month's return matches in England, but in that case they will have to under-perform significantly while Wigan summon powers that looked beyond their capability in Canberra once elementary errors had cost them two tries in the opening six minutes. Brett Mullins intercepted a rash pass by Paul and set off on an 85-metre dash, then Koloi, on a troubled full debut at full back he was later moved to the wing - was slow to retrieve a kick by Daley. slipped and allowed Wiki to control the ball for the first of his two first-half

Although Hall scrambled a try back. Canberra tormented Wigan with their speed and outrageous confidence. As well as eight goals. Furner side-stepped Koloi and Robinson in furnishing Clyde, his back-row partner. with his first try. Koloi could not stop

Wiki a second time and, under pressure from Mullins, Nadruku was able to score the simplist of touch-

downs, before Westley added another.
Priddis, Clyde and Nadruku each
collected second tries, but Wigan, to
their relief, more than matched their hosts after the break. Radlinski re-plied with a fine individual effort and precision kicks into the in-goal area by Farrell, who never gave up trying, provided him with a second and Connolly another. Although too late, it was a little to savour on the long journey home.

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## Paris well placed to secure role in play-offs

BY CHRISTOPHER LEVINE

THE quasi-Australian Paris Saint-Germain outfit flew the tattered European flag in a 24-0 rout of Perth Reds, who slumped to a second surprise world club championship defeat at the Charlety Stadium on Saturday night.

As well as being only the third defeat of an Australian side in the competition, it was the first home victory of the season for Paris. They are now at the top of European pool B and favourites to secure the play-off place against the fourth-placed finishers in pool A.

Paris had shown signs of resistance in their defeat by Hunter Mariners, but there was no way through for a tired, frustrated and ultimately embarrassed Perth, who lost at Sheffield Eagles and only narrowly edged out Castleford in their other group games.

Fabien Devecchi was the token French try-scorer. Jason Eade, the Australian centre, scored two and David Lomax and Deon Bird the others. Matt O'Connor landed two

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goals on a satisfying evening for Andy Goodway, the new English coach of Paris. "We worked really hard, especially on defence, and got a couple of lucky breaks," Goodway said.

After the hidings taken by Salford: Wigan and Halifax, whose 76-0 defeat by Brisbane Broncos yesterday was the heaviest of a European side so far, London Broncos have the last opportunity in the first phase of group games in Australia, at Sydney-based Canterbury, today to relieve some of the acute embarrass-

Apart from Perth, Canterbury are the only Australian side to have lost to European opposition.

Whether London can repeat Wigan's feat will depend on whether the mental scars of their previous mauling by Canberra have healed and the influence that Shaun Edwards can exert on his return.

Warrington, having been heavily beaten by Cronulla and Penrith already, tonight have the task of preventing a clean sweep of three away victories by Auckland Warriors.

SPEEDWAY

## Gustafsson ignores break

HENKA GUSTAFSSON, the world No 5. is determined to ride in the German Grand standings. Prix in two weeks, despite breaking his leg in a track crash last week. Gustafsson, a former Swedish champion. fractured his left leg in two places just below the knee while riding for his Swedish club, Indianerna, last

But the 26-year-old, who gave up riding in the British League three years ago, is set to defy the pain barrier and ride in the third round of the world championship grand prix at Landshut on July 5. Coping with pain will not be

a new experience for Gustafsson, who rode with a hand injury in the Swedish Grand Prix at Linkoping last weekend, but could only manage fourteenth place and is now tenth in the overall

If the pain is gone I am going to try to ride," Gustafsson said from his home in Sweden at the weekend. "I don't know if I am going to be able to ride through it, but it is my left leg and that is not the one we use so much riding speedway.

The doctors say it will take

seven to eight weeks to heal, but I do not think it will take that long. I think it will take about two weeks."

It is important for

Gustafsson to ride in Germany, otherwise he will find it increasingly hard to his place in the series next year, with only the top eight

"Hopefully, I will be ready in time for Germany, but I have never broken my leg before so I don't know how bad the pain will be," he said. "It is a clean break and it is pinned and screwed rather than in plaster, so I can move

my knee. "It depends on whether I will be able to use my leg just a little bit because I know it will not be 100 per cent.

"It is going to be very hard, but if I can ride in this meeting and then finish off with three

fail, his place will be taken by Sam Ermolenko, the 1993 world champion, who lost his place for the year after finishing fifth in the final-chance qualifying meeting last year.

MOTOR SPORT

## McRae scorches to clear lead in China

set the pace on the second leg of the inaugural Rally of China and finished the day in

double Asia-Pacific Rally champion, Kenneth Eriksson, is on McRae's heels, lmin 37sec behind the Scot, and the duo are perfectly poised for a victorious one-two after the concluding five stages today.

good rounds, I should be OK for next year." Should Gustafsson's bid

a commanding position at the head of the leaderboard. His Subaru team-mate and

Despite having competed in China only once before, McRae and his co-driver, Nicky Grist, steadily Increased their lead yesterday, winning six of the eight stages over a distance of 88.6 miles in the Huairou district, north of Beijing. in 1hr 35min 42sec.

McRae's time was more

than two minutes faster than

COLIN McRAE continued to the one he clocked over the same course on Saturday. "It just shows you what practice can do to your times," he said. "I am obviously very happy

with the lead we've got now it's not often that you find yourself in such a fortunate position - so we have taken the opportunity to try different suspension settings and tyres throughout the day," McRae said.

This is secondary to the event, obviously, and we won't be doing anything to jeopardise our position. Tomorrow the intention is to be on the podium in the No! position.

Thirteen cars were eliminated from the first day's stages which were held over a hilly course and in temperaCYCLING

## Yates sets gold standard

DETERMINED Sean Yates, who last won a British time-trial title in 1980, yesterday made the victory comeback he has always threatened after a 16-year continental road racing career, with the gold medal in the national 50-

mile championship. Yates, at 37, now races only for pleasure: most of his days are taken up with his job as a self-employed gardener and training has to be done in his leisure time.

Surprisingly. Yates, al-though a former Tour de France stage winner and overall race leader, had only previously ridden one 50-mile

In rain, high winds, and on a course with 40 traffic roundabouts to be negotiated, he revelled in the tough going and set the winning time of thr 43min 33sec, a new course

His spur was Harry Walker, the championship favourite, who started five minutes ahead. Yates planned a fast start, aiming to make up time and gain a psychological advantage. He achieved that, covering the first five miles 40 seconds faster than Walker, who was later to suffer a

puncture.

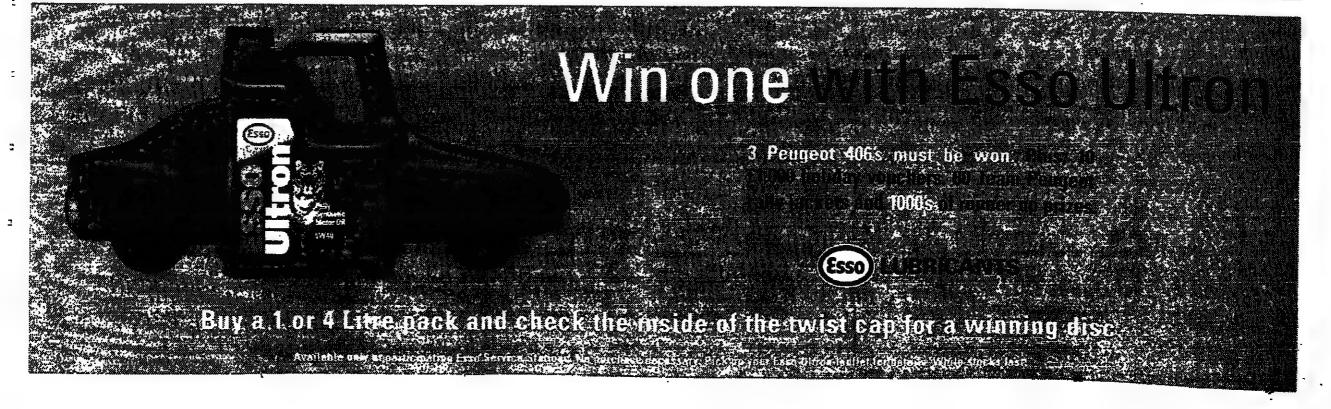
Yates kept the pressure on and went through the 25-mile check with a 2min 2sec lead over Gethin Butler, the former British all-round champion. and a further one second advantage over Geoff Platts. That proved to be the finishing order: Butler recorded lhr 45min 52sec, as Platts faded to 1hr 47min 14sec for third spot.

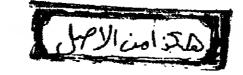
"The conditions suited me," Yates said, "and I made the most of it. You become something of a hard man earning a living on the Continent."

The 100-mile championship next month is his next big event, even though he has only ridden the distance once before.

Rob Hayles, the national track champion, was flown home by air ambulance from Milan at the weekend, complaining of an irregular heart rate. He received treatment at an Italian hospital and was unable to ride for Britain in the World Cup series.

Today, he will be examined at the Olympic Medical Centre at Northwick Park and is unlikely to compete in the British road race championship in Wales next weekend.





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## New faces help leading lights to first European Cup victory for eight years as captain says farewell

## Supporting cast carries Britain to team success

FROM DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT, IN MUNICH

He looked not at all nervous

and utterly confident as he

held the inside track, unafraid

to stand his ground against Vebjorn Rodal, the Olympic

champion from Norway, and

Nico Motchebon, the German

who relieved Sabastian Coe of

tres record. In a tactical race,

Rodal won on the sprint, in

lmin 47.54sec, followed closely

The Briton thus took the

worthwhile scalps of

Guiseppe d'Urso, from Italy, and Andrey Loginov, from Russia. When Sesay ran Imin

"Coming to this level at such

short notice, I was full of uncertainty and my plan was just to get involved," Sesay said. "To finish half a second

behind the Olympic champi-

on, I have got to be pleased

Before the race, I was scared of

Fourth at the end of the first

day, though within 22 points

of Spain, the leading nation,

Britain could not have had a

better start yesterday. Victories for Edwards, in the

triple jump and Backley, in the javelin, hoisted the team into a

Edwards produced his two best jumps of the season in the

opening two rounds, 17.39 and

17.74 metres, by which time he

was so certain that he would

not be caught that he passed

on his last two jumps. This,

remember, was the first time

that a showpiece international

athletics occasion has limited

competitors in the horizontal

immes and throws to four

Backley, too, made an im-

mediate impression, his first-

round throw securing the

maximum eight points with

86.86 metres. Sesay and

Hough were next on. Sesay

had maintained Britain's lead

and now the pressure was on

Hough, "When I looked at the

scoreboard at the start, I saw

we were ahead by 12 points,

As Lambruschini ap-

proached the water ahead of

second place from Robert

Weir in the discus maintained

The winning points were

secured by Pearson, who had

interrupted his honeymoon to

be here. Pearson needed only

to finish ahead of the German

vest, which he succeeded in

doing, to leave the 4 x 400

metres as an academic last

detractors and beatings, some

of it unwarranted, but ours is

still the best performing sport

in the country," Malcolm Ar-nold, the Great Britain head

coach, said. However, the day

was ringed with sadness for

Arnold. It was in this stadium

that John Akii-Bua, coached

by Arnold, won the 400 metres

hurdles Olympic gold medal in 1972. Arnold learnt of Akii-

Bua's death yesterday.

The sport has had its

event. Britain won it anyway.

the momentum.

ith the Germans second."

rounds rather than six.

lead which they never lost.

coming last."

by Motchebon and Sesay.

fastest time for six years.

LINFORD CHRISTIE'S reign as the Great Britain men's team captain ended here yes terday as it had begun, with him lifting the European Cup. After winning the trophy three years in succession, Germany succumbed on home soil to a British team unforgiving in its pursuit of every point that appeared within reach.

Though Christie, by the narrowest of margins, retained his unbeaten European Cup record, this was much more than a one-man show. There was more to it, as well, than a succession of victories by Britain's established worldclass athletes.

Yes, Christie won, Jonathan Edwards, Steve Backley, Rog-er Black too, but Robert Hough?

Hough, predicted to finish sixth, won the 3,000 metres steeplechase by outsprinting Alessandro Lambruschini, the European champion, Olympic bronze medal-winner and unbeaten in his four previous European Cup steeplechase races. "If you had told me last week I would beat Lambruschini and win it, I would have said you were barking mad," Hough said.

His was the performance that clearly signposted Britain towards lifting the European Cup for the first time since 1989, when Christie was first made captain. The British team then drove, accelerator to

the floor, towards its destiny, scoring 118 points, with Germany second on 105 and Russia third on 104.

Asked to name his previous best victory, Hough had to think hard. "AAAs juniors," came the eventual reply.

This was the crowning moment of the Yorkshire influence. Mark Sesay, third in the 800 metres, Chris Rawlinson, fifth in the 400 metres hurdles. John Mayock, fourth in the 1,500 metres, Andrew Pearson, fourth in the 5,000 metres; each has a Yorkshire Each scored at least as well, if not better, than expected.

Sesay and Hough were making their Great Britain debuts and had joined each other in getting anxious. "We agreed we were not experienced athletes at this level and were both nervous," Hough said.

Sesay, whose progress from the junior ranks had been impeded by injury over several years, admitted after running a mature two-lap race. "I was ranked seventh in the field. I was a nervous wreck." In less than two minutes he was transformed. "I am going to be a world-class 800 metres



Hough celebrates victory in the 3,000 metres steeplechase



CASK ALE SINCE 1777



Christie takes a moment to recover after the dead heat in his final race for Great Britain, the European Cup 200 metres in Munich yesterday

## Christie approaches the final frontier

inford Christie peeled off his Great Britain vest for the last time. folded it, and placed it in a black backpack. Oblivious to the scrum of humanity that surged around him as he sheltered from the rain in the tunnel at the Olympiastadion in Munich yesterday afternoon, he was patently at peace with himself. Pride, finally,

overcame prejudice. Winning isn't everything, he mused, despite Britain's first European Cup victory for eight years. "There are more things to live for.

"I wish I was 16 again, but I'll never be. I suppose I've just got to be grateful for the little time I was given. I've lived for the type of ovation I've had here. It makes me feel all the time I've spent training. all the work I've done, has been worthwhile."

Hough, the Briton took flight, Christie yesterday was unrecognisable from the ogre clearing the barrier instead of putting one foot on it and of tabloid mythology, a conspringing off. It brought him level. Only the last barrier to templative figure who sudgo and, while neither athlete denly threw his head back took it cleanly, Hough recovand laughed at the artlessness ered from his brush with the wood to win in 8min 35.03sec. of the adulation. He blew kisses to two schoolgirls who had pasted his image on each corner of a union flag, which was liberally sprinkled with crystals of gold paint. Then, to Colin Jackson's defeat by Florian Schwarthoff in the 110 metres hurdles was a minor setback. Christie dead-heated

a pre-pubescent chorus of "Linford, Linford" he leapt a with Giorgios Panayiotopoulous in the 200 metres, crash barrier and began to the closest he has come to defeat in 13 European Cup sign autographs. individual races. A splendid

These are the real people,"

BRITAIN'S limping ladies of the Atlanta Olympic Games, Sally Gunnell and Kelly

Holmes, resumed their roles as leading

ladies of the track here in Munich at the

weekend (David Powell writes). Both won

their European Cup races, while, for

Gunnell, there was double satisfaction:

the team, of which she is captain, finished

third when forecasts had suggested they

Gunnell won the 400 metres hurdles,

the first sign that she may be capable of

challenging for a medal at the world

championships in Athens in August.

Having taken the world title with a world

record in 1993, she was unable to defend. because of injury, at the biennial champi-

last couple of years when I never thought

There have been many times over the

might be close to relegation.

onships two years later.

he said before the crush forced him to retreat. "We've got to find time for them. They are part of the family of our sport. This, to me, is the best send-off I can have.

The youthful exuberance washing over him launched him into what was not so much a valedictory speech but a series of homilies:

long time ... train hard and don't do drugs ... sport's not all about money, it's about fun smile, you've done a lot ... if

The words poured out in a stream of consciousness that merely highlighted the conflict that Christie creates. His critics studied each statement for contradictions. His colleagues recognise the simplicity of the sentiments. Where Christie is concerned, there is precious little middle ground.

greatest athletes of his generation is unchallengable. This weekend's sprint double, completed, rather than compromised, by yesterday's dead heat with Giorgios Panayiotopoulous, of Greece, in the 200 metres, maintained his umbeaten European Cup record. He has won !! major championships, yet the purity

for better things."

reach my potential."

Only his status as one of the

MICHAEL CALVIN

"Stay clean and you'll last a

... be nice because the people you meet on the way up will meet you on the way down ... if you can make one person you don't think you're the best, you won't be ...

In Munich

of his performances is often obscured by perceptions of his personality

"Linford is quite unique as a person and as an athlete." Malcolm Arnold, the Great Britain head coach, said. "His public persona, which takes a bit of a battering because he no longer has any trust in the media, gives no idea of what he is really like.

The private Linford is one of the nicest men I've met. He's kind, compassionate,

available to any athlete.
"When people look at him, there's a temptation to judge him by the trappings of his success. He's immaculately

Gunnell and Holmes return to form

Gunnell, whose Olympics was ruined by a foot injury, said. "It has given me a heck

of a lot of satisfaction and got me hungry

Holmes ran two Olympic finals on one

good leg, understandably failing to win a

medal in either the 800 or 1,500 metres

while carrying a stress fracture. She put that firmly behind her yesterday with a

runaway win in the 1,500 metres. Holmes,

a double medal-winner at the 1995 world

championships, has set the 1,500 metres

as her priority for Athens. "I'm very

motivated because last year I did not

Such was Holmes's disappointment in Atlanta, she threw her spikes into a bin

before having second thoughts and

retrieving them. She was, as she put it.

totally naffed off". Now she is looking at

total commitment. After Athens, she will

turned out, has a nice car and a comfortable lifestyle. It is important we acknowledge what got him those things. He was born with a huge talent, but the way he has worked to make the most of that talent is a great compliment to him."

This weekend was typically turbulent. Christie refused to appear at the launch of the new Great Britain kit and was in monosyllabic mood during his only promotional chore, an official pre-event press conference. Only when the Cup had been won was he prepared to articulate his an-

What saddens me is that athletes, and not bother to find out how hard they work," he said. "They're never there to see the sweat, tears and the

There was a sense of sadness in his demeanour, which reinforced the vision of an athlete reaching sport's final frontier, retirement.

Christie sees his future in hosting international coaching clinics, a natural complement to his work with such promising youngsters as Jamie Baulch, the 400 metres TUTTIET.

"Time will tell whether Linford sticks with it," Arnold said. "Coaching is different

reached my potential as an athlete and, to do that, I need to focus on athletics not 80

Janine Whitlock and Donna Fraser also

registered notable successes, their perfor-

mances, above expectation, on the first

day enabling Britain to sleep easy

overnight without the threat of relegation

hanging over them. Whitlock set a British

record of 4.10 metres in the pole vault, for

third place, and Fraser ran a personal

best 51.51sec for second place in the 400

Denise Lewis, Britain's Olympic

heptathlon bronze medal-winner, was

remarkably close to winning the long

jump. Lewis, though fourth, jumped 6.56

metres, only five centimetres behind the

winner, Fiona May, a British-born

or 90 per cent, but 100 per cent,"

tive talent. You learn your sports first, over a fairly long Baulch's admiration for his

mentor is, predictably enough, unstinting. "To be good he is." he said of Christie. "He analyses things so well and he uses his experience to reassure me.

"His ideas are good but strange as it may seem, our best form of communication is usually unspoken. Just being in his presence moti

"He knows what I'm going through. I was very stressed up after the world indoor championships, running please evervone, but as soor as he spoke to me, I felt serent again. He just said: 'I was exactly the same as you once C Pick out the things you need

and disregard the rest." "People do get the wrong impression of him. When he addressed the team this week end, he was very shy. He might come across as a bit of a hard man, but he's very humble.

"I've seen him with his new baby. He's 37 and he's happy Why should he feel the need to put his neck on the line

again and again?" Athletics offers a man like Christie an emotional anchor He has been speaking of retirement since the 1993 world championships, but ac knowledges that it will soor leave an intimidating vacuum in his life. "In a way I'm glad that this last race for Britain is over," he said yesterday. "I've no regrets but I will miss the camaraderie of it all.

What I really like is that this gives me the chance to prove I'm the best in the world at what I do. Very few people have that privilege."

The mood has been set Christie collected the Euro pean Cup, conducted the nat ional anthem from the winners' podium, and ther plunged into the crowd. He was surrounded by his people, people who cherish at athlete's purity of purpose. He was in his element and showed no inclination to

I would get back into this position," POLO

## **Black Bears fall to** classy Isla Carroll

A RECORD audience turned out at Smith's Lawn. Windsor. yesterday to witness the final the high-goal Alfred Dunhill Queen's Cup which has been challenged by 12 teams during the past three weeks (John Watson writes). It was to John Goodman, of Palm Beach, Florida, that the Queen presented the cup, for his team, Isla Carroll, who beat the Black Bears, of Urs

Schwarzenbach, 13-10. This fast and exciting encounter was notable for the number of players who looked better than their handicaps, despite the dreadful weather, and for the high proportion of

thoroughbred American po-

nies on both sides, Black Bears

being pivoted on Mike Azzaro.

United States.

Isia Carroli, power-based on Memo Gracida, of Mexico, and Pite Merlos, of Argentina, stayed in the lead throughout and were ahead 8-4 by treading in time. A goal from Azzaro reduced

the Black Bears' deficit to 10-8 by the end of the fifth chukka. but Merios, who scored a total of nine goals, and Gracida made certain of victory for Isla

The Queen presented the prize for the best playing pony in favour of Goodman's eightyear-old mare, Sue Ellen. year-nut (Hate, Sue Edich. ISLA CARROLL: 1, M Pannell (1): 2. P Merics (10), 3, M Gracida (10): Buck, J Goodman (1) BLACK BEARS: 1, U Schwazenbech (1); FLOWING (9): 3 M Azzaro (10); Back, J Fisher (2).

Now in its third year, it's already the biggest and best Pro-Am golfing event in Europe. In 1997 over 100,000 club golfers from 1,100 clubs competed in qualifying rounds for the right to partner their club professional in one of 16 Regional Finals. The 16 winning pairings gain an expenses paid trip to the Grand Final in the Algarve on 3-7 October.

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Lombard, the event's sponsor, is the UK's largest finance house which advances around £150 million each week to their business and personal customers - many of whom compete in the Trophy.

A CRUEL GAME

The first Regional Final, at Beau Desert Golf Club in Staffordshire, showed just how cruel golf can be with Chesterfield Golf Club and Guernsey's La Grande Mare losing out on a countback to Drayton Park after shooting an impressive five under 65 on the

testing course. Drayton Park's Professional Mike Passmore teamed up with contract cleaning company boss. Doug Macdonald to win their place in the Alganve sun.

LATE BIRDIE BLITZ

than at Kings Norton in the South Midlands Regional Final. Former Midland PGA Champion Graham

Fair and amateur Rob Shedden were just about to pop the champagne corks and

start thinking about sun tan lotion when the penultimate pairing of the day, Chipping Norton's Derek Craik Jr and amateur Danny Hicks, finished with six birdies in the last seven

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Brittas by his colleagues, had stolen the show.

WHITECRAIGS

CELEBRATE Whitecraigs Golf Club,

Glasgow, had cause to celebrate after their pairing of Professional Al Forrow and amateur lain Davidson clinched a Grand Final berth with a ten-under-par score of 60 in the West Scotland

that but losing on the countback. SINGING IN THE RAIN

with Cardross Golf Club matching

The East Scotland Regional Final was played in driving rain at Longniddry near Edinburgh and it was a local pairing from Uphall Golf Club who will be heading for sunnier dimes with a four under 64. Professional Gordon Law, a former PGA Cup player and 64th finisher in last year's Open, and amateur Tom Mathieson just pipped the Deeside duo of pro-Frank Coutts and Ray Hardle on the countback.

The old adage, It's never over all the The two pairings were level on Regional Final at Buchanan Report compiled by the PGA

## Strawberry Roan to take on colts

RACING CORRESPONDENT

ENTREPRENEUR is set to miss the Budweiser Irish Derby on Sunday despite reappearing on the Newmarket gallops over the weekend, but Strawberry Roan, the unlucky Irish 1,000 Guineas runnerup, is likely to be supplemented tomorrow for the Curragh

Strawberry Roan, who sidestepped the Oaks at Epsom because of the undulations of

#### RICHARD EVANS

Nap: REAL ESTATE (8.40 Windsor) Next best: Sellette (9.10 Windsor)

The Times Private Handicapper (Gerald Hubbard) found a good-priced winner in Prince Dome (25-1) at Ascal on Saturday.

the track and fast ground, will attempt to become the third filly in eight years to win the trish Derby, after Salsabil (1990) and Balanchine (1994). Connections must pay [r£70,000 at the late entry

stage.
The Aidan O'Brien-trained daughter of Sadler's Wells was most unlucky in the Guineas, having lost momenturn when struck over the head with a whip two furlongs out before being switched. She finished strongly behind Classic Park, her 20-1 stablemate. and would probably have won with a clear run. Her breeding



Falak, right, edges out Monza in the Milcars Conditions Stakes at Ascot on Saturday

she is a half-sister to Generous - suggests improvement over the Derby distance and, with the ground at the Curragh soft, conditions

should be in her favour. Michael Stoute will decide today about Entrepreneur's possible participation. The 2,000 Guineas winner did his first piece of work on Saturday since disappointing in the Derby at Epsom, but is an

3.45 TONKA (nap)

4.15 Swan Hunter 4.45 Anita At Dewn

Benny The Dip, who beat Silver Patriarch by a short head at Epsom, is a definite absentee and will be aimed instead at the Eclipse Stakes on Saturday week, when he will meet Bosra Sham. "Landon Knight, owner of Benny. The Dip, feels that he is a miler on the dam's side and, although Silver Hawk has given him stamina, a mile and

a quarter is his trip," John

Gosden said yesterday.

"He doesn't want to run the horse in possibly testing condtions over a mile and a half and believes that at Epsom it was a case of a mileand a quarter horse winning the Derby through bold tao-

Silver Patriarch, who would have won in another stride at Epsom, is likely to start a short-priced favourite on Sunday and John Dunlop yester-day expressed himself happy

well and has a good character and temperament. He came out of the Derby moving very well, which is important." The prevailing soft ground should hold no terrors for the favourite as he won the Lingfield Derby Trial on similar going. The main worry will be the likelihood of a small

colt. "I have done nothing very

serious with him, but he did a

bit of work on Friday and I

was very happy with him. The

horse has taken Epsom very

field leading to a falsely-run Other expected runners in the Irish classic are The Fly, fifth to Benny The Dip at Epsom, Verglas, runner-up in the Irish 2,000 Guineas, Dr Johnson and Olympic Majes-ty, both trained by Charles O'Brien, and, possibly, Stage Affair and Johan Cruyff.

In addition to the Irish Derby, the Curragh also stages the Railway Stakes which will see the reappear-ance of King Of Kings, as short as 8-1 for next year's 2,000 Guineas after the imoressive debut of the Aidan O'Brien-trained colt last month. Significantly, Harbour Master, who won the Coventry Stakes for O'Brien at Royal Ascot last week, is considered to be the inferior of

King Of Kings at home. With only half of the huge Tote Jackpot pool won at Ascot on Saturday, there could be another £400,000-plus sum to entice punters at Nottingham

3.45 SUN CHEMICAL HANDICAP

## Savill ideal explorer for alternative finance plan

Shortly after lunchtime today, a search will begin with the aim of determining the future of British racing in the 21st century - or whether it evenhas one.

After three decades of racing being funded, or rather underfunded, by the levy paid by off-course punters. when they have a bet - a serious attempt is being made to find an alternative method of financing the sport in the years ahead. Peter Savill, the rebel who

has come in from the cold, will chair the first meeting of the British Horseracing Board Levy Review Group at Portman Souther today. He will be joined by fellow BHB directors, Rhydian Morgan Jones and David Oldrey, Rod Fabricius, general manager of Goodwood, Tristram Ricketts and Stephen Atkin, respectively chief executive and finance director of the

Savill believes the role of the group is "critical". He is right. This is make or break for racing. By the end of the year, Savill and his col-leagues will decide if a practical alternative to the levy exists - or whether it is as illusory as the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

The levy, which acts as a financial crutch to the sport and tends to deter enterprise, provides racing with about £50 million a year — peanuts compared to the sums re-

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Racing Commentary

turned from betting to the sport in other countries. Even the big bookmakers agree the levy system Is outdated. Agreement on an alternative will not be so easy

The terms of reference under which Savill and his colleagues will work are wide enough to allow them to explore every avenue, including the thorny issue of media rights. If nothing else, their work should lead to a much-needed financial plan for the sport.

They have been empowered "to identify any practi-cal and cost-effective substitutes for and/or additions to the present betting

levy system as a means of securing funds from the bet ting industry for investment in racing; to assess the advantages to racing of any such substitutes and/or additions over the present ar-

rangements.
"To consider the implications and likely appeal to government and the betting industry of any such substitutes or additions; to make recommendations by December 31, 1997 as to whether there should be any change to the present system, for consideration by the BHB board prior to full consult ation with the betting indus-

try."
The difficulties Savill and his colleagues face are formidable. The previous govern-ment made it clear any plans to replace the levy must be agreed by the racing and betting industries. The new government is likely to adopt a similar approach.

The major bookmakers, who are answerable to their shareholders, are hardly going to agree that a larger proportion of the cash punters lose should go to racing at the expense of increased profits.

Nevertheless, it is crucial the search for an alternative to the levy is conducted. And Savill, who has been vehement in his criticism of racing's leadership and the funding of the sport, is the right man to entrust with the

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4.30 WALLYFORD HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £2,724, 7f 30yd) (9)

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5.00 ORMISTON HANDICAP (£2 612: 1m 48) (9) 

## Peintre Celebre strikes

PEINTRE CELEBRE gained an emphatic win in the group one Grand Prix de Paris at Longchamp yesterday and is on course for the King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot on July 26. The Prix du Jockey-Club winner had no problem with the holding going. Olivier Peslier pushing him clear to beat ithaki by two lengths. Royal Amaretto, the British challenger, led half a mile out but faded to finish fifth.

🗋 In the Prix de la Porte Maillot. Diffident finished fifth and Craigievar last of eight to Occupandiste, trained by Criquette Head.

LEADERS ON THE FLAT

## WINDSOR

THUNDERER 6.40 River Of Fortune, 7.10 Blushing Grenadler, 7.40 Captain Horatius, 8.10 Highland Lord, 8.40 Real Estate, 9.10 Sellette.

Our Newmarket Correspondent 8.40 REAL ESTATE (nap).

DRAW: 6F. LOW NUMBERS BEST

**6.40** DELTA AIRLINES FILLIES HANDICAP (3-Y-O\* £2.882\* 1m 2f 7yd) (10 runners) 

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8 BAIN'S TIARA 14 A Mehiuri 8-9.

4 DESERT MATINE 9 R Namon 8-9.

42 PRIST DANCE 19 R Hamon 8-9.

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1 HIGHIG RARRY 14 J Banis 8-9. 6-1 Cui Diamond 7-1 First Dance, Merko's Aring, 6-1 Recognition, 1 Cockszie, Ringlesder, 12-1 Technicsin, 14-1 others. 8.40 JACOBS HOLDINGS HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £2,884. 1m 3f 135yd) (11) 

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6 0-0 WONDERSOY 67 R Author 19-0

7 02 ZARRISKIE 6 IN Sloute 9-0

8 00 AURORA BAY 16 M Bell 8-9

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Gary Stevens, successful on Predappio in the Hardwicke Stakes at Royal Ascot on Friday, narrowly missed completing a swift big-race double when Sharp Cat was caught by Ajina inside the final furlong of the Mother Goose Stakes at Belmont Park, New York, on Saturday.

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## SATURDAY'S RESULTS

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2.00 1, Brave Kris (5-1 g-lav); 2, Dancing Drop (14-1); 3, Atlantic Desare (9-1). Settin 5-1 (1-lav, 12 ran NR Jath 2.30 1. Prince Dome (25-1), 2, Blohops Court (9-4 lav) 3, Plast of Amptir (14-1); 4, Potch Warror (10-1), 18 ran NR Jate 3.30 1, Falak (17-2), 2, Morea (3-1), 3, Conon Falo (17-4 lav) 5 ran.

3.35 1, Winter Romanos (9-2 lav), 2, Conon Falo (17-4 lav) 5 ran.

3.35 1, Winter Romanos (9-2 lav), 2, Conon Cover, Sylvan Princess, Virtual Readity 4, 10, 1, Right Wing (6-1), 2, Sugarloot (20-1), 3, Lord Eurokink (7-1) Sweet Controllo 2-1 lav, 9 ran.

4.40 1, Right Wing (6-1), 2, Sugarloot (20-1), 3, Lord Eurokink (7-1) Sweet Controllo 2-1 lav, 9 ran. NR Migrate 5, 10 1, Bollvar (6-1), 1, 2 Royu Man (11-4 lav) 3, Shelt Of Light (10-1), 14 ran NR Migrate Mystique, Mighty Phanton, Soquera.

3.15 1. In Question (9-4 fax), 2. Porcy Isle (5-2); 3. Go With The Wind (10-1) 5 ran 3.45 1. Dundel (11-4), 2. Literary (3-1), 3. Native Rhytim (6-4 fax) 8 ran 4.15 1 Mister Westsound (6-1), 2. Decarion (20 1), 3. Suedono (16-1) Superpode 3-1 lax, 13 ran

4 50 1 Westminster (4-1), 2 Bruz (33-1), 3, Philopon (9-1) Snowy Mantie 3-1 fav 15 ran. NR Yel Again, Redcar

2.10 1 Kass Alfrawa (3-1 tav) 2, Tordad (9-2), 3, Forcal Roban (11-2) 11 ran 2.40 1, Linnetsong (33-1), 2, Greenbrook (7-2), 3, The Honorabic Lady (5-2 tav) 11 3.10 1 Classic Line (9-2); 2 Sun Ol Spring (14-1) 3. Charity Crusader (11-2) Katamata 4-1 lav 15 ran 3.40 1 Hen Harrier (5-1); 2. Bity Bushwarder (5-1); 3. Bay of Lizands (5-1). Cryctol Gold 5-2 lav 9 ran. 4.16 1 Multitadel (5-4); 2. Dantesque (5-4 lav); 3. Sweat Fortune (5-1) 11 ran. 4.46 1, Midnight Shift (11-4 lav); 2. Anchello (3-1); 3. Two On The Gridge (4-1) 6 ran 5.15 1 Dee Peer Tee Cee (6-4 lav); 2. Marsh Mangold (13-2); 3. Hubil (6-1); 8 ran

Southwell

1.55 1. Ordog Mor (3-1 (t-lav): 2. Dander Imp (7-1): 3. Germe (4-1) This is My Lito 3-1, p.tav 10 ran, NR G.pay King Royal Catcer 2.25 1. Smith Top (13-2): 2. Peruvian Galo 19-2): 3. Genfinn Princess (4-1 rt-lav) Royal Square 4-1 (t-lav 10 ran NR Humcare-Andrew Master Chubador. Autor Messay Cruzador. 255 1. Punkah (4-7 km), 2 if Only (12-1); 3 : Major Soux (11-1), 12 mn 3.30 1. Denting Bridge (9-21 2. On My Foes (5-1); 3. Helio Me Man (3-1 fav) 11 ren. NR. Soud Mossay

Scud Michiel Bis (12-1) 2 Villy Ster (14-4,00 ). Bigmheel Bis (12-1) 2 Villy Ster (14-1), 3 High Low (3-1) Hab) Amount Piper 3-1 y-law, 10 tan: MR. Strop Sensation 4,35 ). Epidema Kiss (11-2): 2. Charles (20-1), 3, Code Rost (100-30); Little Rectains 3 ) tan 8 stor 3 trave eran 5.05 t, Stormhall Stag (10-11 lav), 2. Truth fully (14-1), 3, Burke Bush (5-71), 13 ran

## Lingfield Park 8.19 1, Mantieno (11-8 lav), 2, Berusmira Lev (8-1); 3, Grand Appleuse (20-1), 13 ran. 8.45 1, Phone Alex (2-1 g-lav); 2, Sweet Roste (33-1), 3, Francie Fair (2-1 g-lav), 7

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TIME 1, Berranak (3-1 tev); 2. Polly Golighily (9-2), 3. Village Pub (18-1), 9 ran NR: Another Betchworth, Robelton. 7.45 1, Mr Paracitis (8-1), 2. Perioles (9-4 tay); 3. Inclination (10-1), 5 ran. 8.15 1, Harvey White (9-1), 2. What A Fuse (11-1); 3. Renata's Proce (9-4 tay), 12 ran NR: Samars Song, Square Mile Miss. 8.45 1, Around Fore Alliss (9-2), 2. Welcome Heights (83-1), 3, Kristopher (11-1) Puch A Venture 2-1 lay 12 ran.

Wolverhampton 7-10 1, Grand Hotel (6-1), 2, Gold Capper (7-1), 3, Petula Boy (25-1) Poker Princess 2-1 lav. 8 ran NR Don't Worry Mike.
7.30 1, People Direct (8-1); 2, Bon Guest (100-30); 3, Oragonoy (7-2) Ocetor Bravious 3-1 lav 8 ran NR Shelles Dream.
8.00 1, Castrinere Lady (6-1); 2, Bernico (7-1), 3, Broughtons Turmot (4-1), 14, Seight 5-2 lav. 7 ran.
8.25 1, The Happy Fox (10-1), 2, Intelestin (4-1 lad); 3, Naprier Star (8-1), 11 ran, NR-Alpine Hideaway.
8.55 1, Michelee (4-7 tax); 2, Include Michelee (8-7 tax); 1 feet Michelee (8-7 tax); 2, Include Michelee (8-Alpine Hideaway 8.55 1, Michelee (4-7 tev); 2, Jack-N-Jilly (7-1); 3, Medina Mass (3-1) 6 ran.

## Friday's late details

9-25 1, State Approval (9-2), 2, Wildlife (11-2); 3, Alman-Pard (10-1), Course Fishing 7-2 lay 11 ran

Goodwood

6.30 1, Arnie (33-1); 2, Listinarius (4-1); 3, Sland Tall (7-2 tex), 11 ten. NR: Fatry Prince, Index Reserve. Tallward (7-0 1, Doyelle (8-13 fax); 2, Vibrumin (14-1); 3, Blowing Away (11-4), 8 ren. NR: Dead Arm, Gold Millerium. 2, 7-30 1, Cardone (7-4 tex); 2, Artis Denie (10-1); 3, The Executor (10-1); 9 ren. NR: Autumi Cover 8.00 1, Korsloons (5-1); 2, Edan Heights (15-2); 3, Grand Sciendour (4-1 line) 11 ren. NF Ouet Arch, Thatchmissler 8.30 1. Tea Party (8-1); 2. Pain Blenco (15-2), 3. Song of Skye (8-1). Eurolink Profile 2-1 law. 7 ran.

9.90 1, Vota Via (4-1): 2. Rudimental (5-6)
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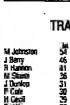
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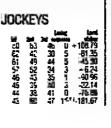




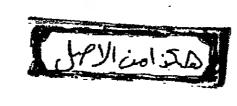


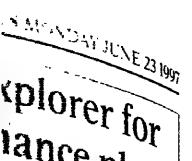






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ROWING: THATCHER AND HUNT-DAVIS JOIN ILLUSTRIOUS COLLEAGUES AT TOP OF WORLD CUP RANKINGS Team effort

negates Redgrave's malaise

FROM MIKE ROSEWELL IN PARIS

THE Great Britain coxless four of James Cracknell, Steve Redgrave, Tim Foster and Matthew-Pinsent were pushed to within a quarter of a second of the world record by a France four in Paris yesterday, The Britons won by a canvas, but, according to Foster, "had another possible gear - I'm glad we didn't have to use it".

It was Redgrave's 66th consecutive race victory, but he was not at his best. "I have had a touch of the stomach bug; I am not 100 per cent," he said. The bug also affected the lightweight men's eight and the coxed four, who made lastminute changes, and James Hall, the lightweight sculler.

The coxless four were pushed hardest by Germany in the first 500 metres, but France maintained a high rate throughout and Pinsent had to wind his rate to 42 approaching the finish and caught a slight crab in the rough water in the process: "I caught one in Munich as well," he said. "I

owe the boys two now." The victory kept the crew in the lead in the World Cup.

The coxless pair of Rob Thatcher and Ben Hunt-Davis also lead the World Cup, having finished second yesterday as well as in Munich. Creatia, who won in Munich, were fifth in Paris. The Britons rowed a much more sensible race in the final than in their heat on Friday, when they started too fast and paid the

"We rowed a controlled race to halfway before pushing in the third 500," Thatcher said. The push moved them from sixth to first, but, as the water roughened, Lithuania took; first place on the line. "Our last 200 metres let us down," Hunt-Davis said, "but we are

The decision to abort the women's quadruple scull in favour of a coxless pair and a double scull paid off hand-

with two second somely

Dot Blackie and Cath Bishop, in the coxless pair, had their minds focused on the top Romanians, but suffered a slow start. "The key to beating the Romanians was to get a good start and we failed," Blackie said. Nevertheless, from being fourth at 500 metres, the Britons overtook Australia and Belarus in a good second half and said; We are still on a steep

learning curve." The same also applies to the double scull of Miriam Batten and Gillian Lindsay, who were second all the way. They put real pressure on Germany, the leaders, in the third 500 metres, but faltered in the rough water approaching the

Greg Searle, who finished sixth, set out in the sculls final with the aim of "being with Cop [the world champion] at metres". He admitted subsequently that he should have been more realistic. "It was stupid," he said. "I did not settle to a sustainable pace and faded away.

Guin Batten, the Olympic sculls finalist, did not have a great weekend. Miles Forbes-Thomas, her coach, was not happy with the seeding procedure which saw Batten in a semi-final on Saturday in the company of three world championship medal-winners

 Hansen, from Denmark, Boron, from Germany, and Khodotovitch, from Belarus, the Olympic champion. "We ended up with a four and a two of the fastest scullers for the semis," Forbes-Thomas

Batten finished fourth in her semi-final, but made her point by winning her B final with sufficient leeway to ease up before the line and punch the air. "There was a cross Batten as well as a cross wind out there," Forbes-Thomas said.

rive crews finished in top-seven, point-scoring positions, keeping Britain second in the 36nation World Cup rankings



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The strain shows on Houlihan's face as she loses to Appelboom in an early round of the lightweight sculls

## Henley produces thrills in the chill

By a Correspondent

HENLEY women's regatta lived up to its record of efficient informality in spite of all that the weather threw at it over the weekend. Those who braved it saw some excellent racing with several finals only decided in the final few strokes over the 1500-metre

In the quadruple sculls Derby beat Thames by a canvas in an excellent race in which the lead changed more

the club coxed fours final, Tideway Scullers apthey led by a length at the barrier, but University of London pushed them all the way before losing by a foot in the closest race of the day.

In school/junior events, the premier prize went across the Atlantic when St Andrew's School, of Delaware, beat Lady Eleanor Holles by three line 12 lengths ahead. feet in a high-rating race which looked as if it could go

enge in the fours when they beat Brockville School, from In the college events, Imperial College had an easy win over Osler House/Green College, who last month were

head of the Oxford University

either way at any time.

Bryanston School stemmed

the North American chall-

Summer Eights. at the start and never mounted a serious challenge. Earlier, Imperial had beaten the Cambridge Mays' head boat. Pembroke, by two lengths.

In the college fours, Edin-burgh University fought off a strong challenge from Dublin University before crossing the

One event, though, seems to be decided before each regatta begins. Sue Appelboom, of Mortlake Anglian and Alpha. won the lightweight sculls for the eighth successive year. easily defeating Mandy Calvert, of Agecroft

Appelboom's time was just three seconds slower than that of Rowan Carroll, of Nottingham County Rowing Association, who defeated Ali Sanders of City of Sheffield in

The coxless fours was won by the outstanding Thames crew of Ali Gill, Anne-Marie Stapleton, Clare Davies and Alison Brownless who beat the other half of their open eight, rowing as Queens Towет, by four lengths. These crews then combined

to race in open eights where they met Tideway Scullers in the final. Scullers took an early lead and were twothirds of a length clear before the enclosure, but the composcounter-attacked and steadily overhauled them and went on to row through their opponents to win by half a

The fastest time of the day was recorded by Imperial College in the Invitation University, of the United States. Imperial won by one and one-third lengths in 4min 55sec, just one second faster than the open eights final.

#### BOWLS

#### **Johnston** returns to lucky greens

By DAVID RHYS JONES

MARGARET JOHNSTON, of Ireland, the holder, hopes to retain the British Isles women's singles title today on the same Northfield greens in Ayr where she won the world singles and pairs championships five years ago.

Ann Dainton, her opponent in the final this morning, has had a busy weekend, helping Wales to win the home international series for the first time since 1978, and skipping her Barry Plastics partner, Barbara Stanton, to the final of the British Isles pairs championship.

The Welsh pair were beaten to the title by two Scots, Ann Clark and Margaret Russell, of Livingston Letham. Chrissie O'Gorman's Dublin Blackrock trip won the triples for Ireland and Burnham, Buckinghamshire, skipped by Mary Price, an England international and former world indoor singles champion, took the fours.

When Wales won the British team title on Saturday. Dainton, a 57-year-old grandmother of three, was one of five of their players who were in the last championship-winning Welsh side, 19 long years ago. The other four were Janet Ackland, Gill Miles. Betty Morgan, and a reserve. Pam Griffiths.

Miles and Morgan played decisive roles on Saturday, skipping their rinks to big victories, as Wales beat the defending champions, Scotland, 119-110.

England, who had made wholesale changes after losing the series to Scotland last year. drew with Wales and beat Ireland, but lost to the Scots, and were disappointed to finish in third place.

Lincolnshire, the county champions, will have their work cut out to qualify for the Middleton Cup quarter-finals this year after losing to Lancashire at Southport on Saturday. Kent, too, were set back on their heels by Middlesex, but Hampshire chalked up the day's biggest victory, sinking the Isle of Wight by 90 shots, and taking maximum points.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

#### **Monarchs** consider provincial alternative

BY RICHARD WETHERELL

AS THE World League of American Football season came to a close late last night, when the Barcelona Dragons hosted the Rhine Fire at the Olympic Stadium, the inevitable post mortem began. Prime among the league's problems are the London Monarchs. Seen as the premier franchise. the Monarchs' difficulties con-

tinue on and off the field. In finishing 4-6 for the third successive year, they average fewer than 12 points per game, while their move from White Hart Lane to Stamford Bridge has failed to promote a growth in attendance.

The Monarchs are now considering playing some of their five home games outside London, with Bristol and Birmingham the prime candidates. That switch would also necessitate a name change, with the team losing a city but gaining a country to become the English Monarchs.

The main reason for the potential move is the lack of space around Stamford Bridge to host a large-scale pre-game party of the type that has attracted large crowds to Frankfurt and Rhine. In Germany, they have large playing fields right outside the stadium. This has proved so popular that Frankfurt set game attendance records in two successive weeks this sea-

During the next two days in Barcelona, league officials. coaches and general managers will meet to establish the future direction of the league.

Prime among those discussions will be the actual format of the league. At present, the team with the best record after the first half of the season earns the right to host the World Bowl. But in the three years since the league returned, the successful team has found it difficult to maintain concentration.

This season, after the Dragons qualified, they proceeded to lose their next four games. To keep all six teams interested, the league is expected to name a venue independent of

#### GUIDE TO THE WEEK AHEAD

TODAY CRICKET Second Comfull Test match 11 O, Intel day of five

LORD'S: England v Australia AON RISK TROPHY (one-day): Bishop Auckland: Durham v Derbyshire: Chelmsford: Essex v Surrey; Southamp-

RUGBY LEAGUE Super League Visa world ...

OTHER SPORT

BOWLS: Women's British champion-ships (at Ayr).

RACING: Musselburgh (2.30): Notting-ham (2.15): Windsor (6.40), Yarmouth (6.25).

(625).

SPEEDWAY: Elite League: Wolver-hampton v King's Lynn (7:30). Premier League: Exeter v Stoke (7:30). Premier League: Exeter v Stoke (7:30). Premier League four-teem chempionship: Oxalifying round: Reading v Oxford v Arena Essex v Newport (7:30). Amateur League: Exeter and Newport v Belle Vue (7:30); Wolverhampton and Long Eaton v ipswich and King's Lynn (9:0).

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#### TOMORROW CRICKET

CRICKET

NATWEST TROPHY: First round (80 overs). Beaconsfield; Buckinghemshire v Beseig, Wisbech: Cambridgeshire v Hampshire, Barrowit: Cumberland v Northamptonshire, Exmouth: Devon v Leicestershire, Cardiff; Glamorgan v Bedfondotrer; Briesot: Gloucestershire v Sciland; Old Treffort, Lancashire v Berkshire; Lincoln (Lindum): Lincolnshire v Derbysthire, Lord's: Maddlesser v Kert; Trent Bridge; Nottinghamshire v Staffordshire; Tauritor: Somersel v Herefordshire; The Ovat: Surrey v Durham. Hove: Sussext v Shropshire, Edighaston: Warwickshire v Norfolk, Worcester; Worcestershire v Holland; Heedingley; Yorkshire v listind.

RUGBY UNION TOUR MATCH: First State v British Isl XV (at Bioernforten, 6.15) OTHER SPORT

Bette Vue (7.30) TENNES: All England Chempionehips (at. Mimbledoni

WEDNESDAY CRICKET TOUR MATCH: The Parks (first day of three). British Universities v Australians. RUGBY LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION: Boroley v Rochets

RACING: Caréale (2.15); Chester (6.50), Epsom (6.40); Hamilton Park (7.0), Selisbury (2.30).

Seisbury (2 30).

SPEEDWAY: Speedway Star Cup: Semi-final, aecond leg: Pucie (42) v Coveraty (48). Bite League: King's Lymi v lpswich (7.45). Premier League: Long Eason v Glasgow (7 30). Premier League tourteam championship: Qualifying round: Hull v Skegness v Shefiled v Stoire (7 30). TENNS: Ali England Championships (all Wimbledon)

#### THURSDAY

CRICKET

BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP (fins day of four). Southend:
Essex v Derhystre: Swansez. Gizmorgen v Sussex, Leicester. Lecestershre v
Warackshre. Luton: Northamptonshre v
Gloucestershre Worcesterthie v Lancashre: Headingley: Yorkshre v
Middlesex.

DITHER SPORT

FRIDAY

AXA LIFE LEAGUE (40 overs): The Oval:

RACING: Carisle (2.15); Saisbury (2.0) SPEEDWAY: Eithe Leaguer, Ipswich V Eastbourne (7.30) Premier Leaguer, Shel-field v Glasgow (7.45). TENNISS: All England Chempionships (at Wimbledon).

CRICKET BRITANNIC ASSURANCE CHAMP-

IONSHIP (first day of four): The Ovel Surrey v Nottrighernshire. RUGBY UNION TOUR MATCH: Gauteng Falcone Sociamo XV (at Braispan, 6.15).

RUGBY LEAGUE STONES SUPER LEAGUE: Suitord Rada v Warrengton Violves (7.30) First div Hull v Featherstone Rovers (3.0). OTHER SPORT

RACING: Folkestone (2.10); Goodwood (6.40); Newcastle (6.15); Newmarket (2.0); Stratford (6.50); Wolverhampton (AW, 2.20). 2.20).
SPEEDWAY: Elite League: Belle Vue v
Bractiord (7.30). Peterborough v Wolverhampion (7.30). Premier League: Arena
Essex v. Hus (8.0). Esinburgh v Long
Eaton Amateur League: Oxford v
Mildenhalf (7.0); Oxford v Ipswich and
King's Lynn (8.15). Peterborough v Long
Eaton and Wolverhampton (7.0)
TENNIS: All England Chempionehips (st
Wirmbledon)

SATURDAY RUGBY UNION INTERNATIONAL MATCH: South Albeil v British Isles (et Durben, 4 15).

CRICKET TETLEY'S CHALLENGE SERIES (first day of three): Southampton: Hampshire v Australiens
UNIVERSITY MATCHES (first day of three): Canterbury: Kent v Cambridge University, Taunton: Somerset v Oxford University. OTHER SPORT

BOXING: World Boxing Organisation heavyweight championship (vacant): Hidde (Norwich) v 7 Tucker (US), World Boxing Organisation and Inter-continental Boxing Federation Inter-continental Bight-weiterweight championships: J Thadon (Norwich, hoider) v G Chetchatrizan (Ger), (at Norwich Sporta Villanet GOLF: Weish women's strokeplay championship (at Whitchurch)

RACING: Bath (2.15); Doncaster (6.50); Linglield Park (6.35); Newcastle (2.10); Newmarket (2.0), Worcastler (2.35). SPEEDWAY: Elite League: Bradford v
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Peterborcuph (7 30) Fermier League:
Berwick v Long Eaton (8 0), Amateur
League: Berwick v Long Eaton and
Wolverhampton (6.30).
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> SUNDAY CRICKET

AXA LIFE LEAGUE (40 overs): South-end: Essex v Derbyshrir; Swamsen: Glamorgen v Sussex; Leicester: Leicestershrie v Warwickshire; Luton: Northamptonshrie v Gloucestershrie, Worcester: Worcestershrie v Lancashrie, Headingley: Yorkshire v Middlesex. RUGBY LEAGUE kick-off 3 0 unless stated STONES SUPER LEAGUE: Hullian Burn Sox v Pans Seint-Germain; Leeds Rhinos

v Bradford Bulls (8.0), London Broncos v Cestleford Tigers; Olicham Baers v St Heierts, Wigan Wamors v Sheffleld Engles. First division: Keighley Cougars, v Hull Kingston Rovers, White-haven Wamtors v Swinton Lions (3.30), Widnes Vilongs v Dewsbury Brans; Workington Town v Waterfield Timity Second division: Battley Buildogs v Leigh Centurions (3.18). Carlicle Border Raders v Bramsey, Doncaster Dragons v Barrow Braves, Prescot Panthers v Hurslet Hawks; York Waspe v Lancashire Lyrix. OTHER SPORT ATHLETICS: MAF British Grand Prix (at Don Valley Stadium, Sheffleid) GOLF: Welsh women's strokeplay chempionship (at Whitchurch). MOTOR RACING: British Touring Car

MOTOH PACING: Bhish Touring Car chempionship (at Creft).
RACING: Doncaster (2:0); Goodwood (2:15), Utioxeter (2:10).
SPEEDWAY: Benefit: Chris. Louis. Testenonal (at Ipswich, 3:0). Premier League: Glasgow v Stoke (6:30); Newcastle v Long Eaton (6:30); Newport v Arene Essex (2:30). Amateur League: Lathaflan v Ryde (loW) (2:30)



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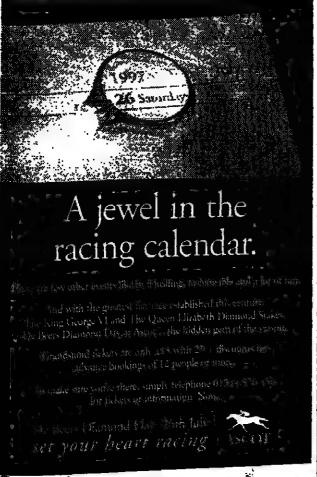


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# Ocean crews wary of going beyond the comfort zone

By EDWARD GORMAN, SAILING CORRESPONDENT 146 miles which turned into

around 160 miles once the

windward legs had been taken

into account, and the condi-

tions were not pleasant. The

fleet set off on Saturday morn-

THE Royal Ocean Racing Club's De Guingand Bowl Race, which took place in the eastern Solent and out towards Brighton on Saturday and Sunday, demonstrated once again that when the going gets tough, large num-bers of boats in RORC fleets

Yesterday, only 18 of the 46 starters crossed the finishing line at Warner buoy. In Class l, only two boats of the 19 that started completed the course. The first three boats in the overall standings were all Sigma 38s from Class 2.

The top boat was David Aisher's Yeoman XXVIII, with Paul King's Serendip second and John Oldland's Aquadanca II third. The Class l winner was Phantom of Wight, owned by Windward Sailing, with the OOD 34, Red Alert, winning in Class 3. The Class 4 winner was the Carter 36, Mavis III of Gosport, owned by Stephen Winter.

all-female crew on board the

92ft catamaran Royal & Sun-

Alliance, set off from New

York yesterday on their at-

tempt to beat the multihull

transatiantic record of six

days, 13 hours and three

minutes held by Serge Madoc.

leagues, including the most

recent additions. Samantha

Davies, from Hayling Island

and Sharon Ferris, of New Zealand, stormed across the

official startline at the Am-

brose Lighthouse at dawn

The Atlantic crossing, which

is part of the warm-up for the

Jules Verne circumnavigation

which is planned to start in

January, is the first time

Edwards and her crew have

been let loose on their own on

the giant catamaran without

campaign's project manager,

Ed Danby, who has trained

shedding a tear as he watched

the start, said the boat has

never been lighter. She has a

Danby, who admitted to

building 15-knot breeze.

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Edwards and her ten col-

of France.

the crew.

ing from the Squadron line in 25-30 knots from the southwest and through the day the gusts reached 40 knots. The course, set by Alan Green, the director of racing at RORC, took the fleet by way of 19 marks as far as Brighton at its eastern-most point. There were some nasty and long

windward legs, including one

of about 30 miles back from

Brighton to the Owers. Most crews gave up long before night set in, many with gear failure or no explanation. Bob Milner, race officer for the finish, said: "Possibly, they didn't like the prospect of doing all those legs in the middle of the night with the wind what it was during the day. They were obviously con-cerned about it getting worse and retired, whereas in fact it

genoa, only a small amount of

diesel in her tanks and the

crew have taken a minimum

of gear with them. He said the

recent transatiantic passage to

New York, in which the crew

had experienced very strong

head and following winds,

had teased out any areas of

Danby believes the record

uncertainty

BY EDWARD GORMAN

TRACY EDWARDS and her new lightweight mainsail and

Edwards makes flying start to record attempt

> Aisher, who seemed a little disappointed himself at the number of retirements, was nevertheless delighted to have stuck to his guns and won his second overall victory in a RORC race this year. "It was hard work, especially the beat back from Portobello to the Owers, but it doesn't seem so bad now after a bacon sand-

can be beaten. "It's like any of these records. An amazing amount of luck is needed. We've done as much preparation as we can and the girls can do it, given the right weather pattern." During the next two days, he added, the breeze is predicted to build to around 28 knots, which is perfect for the Nigel Irens-

designed multihull. The catamaran was driven over the line by co-skipper Michele Paret, of France. Edwards herself will not helm centrate on communications and the all-important link with the top American routing guru. Bob Rice, who is retained by the campaign and will advise them on the Jules Verne attempt as well.

moderated to Force 4." Green himself acknowledges the trend for many more boats to retire from offshore races than used to be the case, something he regards as regrettable.

The truth is that's what they are doing and I'd like to find out why," he said. "I suspect it's because people are not prepared to be uncomfortable as willingly as they used

Green said that he found it "curious" many of the crews who retired from this relatively short race and previous RORC races like it were planning to compete in this year's Fastnet Race. He said: There may be some cases of minor gear failures and people felt they would rather not go on at the risk of breaking something. Whatever, it doesn't seem to be too hard a task for boats to go offshore for less than 24 hours in less than gale-force

There were gear failures; notably the X412, High Jinx, by Carol Mayne which broke its boom, and the Laurent Giles 48. Cetawayo. which had a torn mainsail. But Aisher also had problems. He lost his kicker gybing round a mark but rigged a jury replacement, and he also tore one of his headsails.

wich and a sausage roll," he

In the West Mersea to Ostend Race, also organsied by RORC, which started on Friday, there were four retirements out of a field of 18. Again, conditions were wet and uncomfortable, with some crews describing it as one of

The overall and Class winner was Richard VII. took the honours with Mike Cleverly's Fighter 34, Rumour of Lymington, winning in Class 3. Captain Roy Aspinall took the honours in Class 4 in the UFO 34, Bellerophon of Mersea.



# Baseball makes pitch for youngsters

BY NICK SECREPANIK

THE scene might have made more sense with lowa comfields as the backdrop rather than misty Calderdale - but while Americans would have taken a rain check in the drizzly conditions, the boys of summer are made of sterner stuff in Halifax.

South Halifax High School. a 500-strong comprehensive, was hosting two first-round year seven (under-12) games in the Calderdale Schools Baseball Leagues. In this, the youngest year, batters face non-aggressive underarm pitching from their teachers

South Halifax Sluggers against Crossley Heath Cubs was impressive: four consecutive base hits paved the way for a 7-6 win. Calderdale boasts three four-team leagues: schools compete at four age levels. Of the secondary schools in the area, only three are not involved in baseball, and two of those are committed to joining next

The enthusiasm of Kevin

McCallion, a teacher at South Halifax, is behind much of the competition's success. His own interest was awakened during spells at a summer camp in the United States and it took little persuasion from Ian Smyth, of the British Baseball Federation (BBF), an old college friend, for him to become the development officer in the area. "Yes, I introduced it and I organise it, but everyone else works hard in their schools," McCallion said. "We started with half-aand it quickly took off.

"Baseball is ideal for my circumstances and those of a lot of others; I can't speak highly enough of it. I'm not a baseball nut, but I am committed to things that have a

positive effect on the kids each. Baseball has that. "If you're out first ball, it doesn't mean you don't bat gain; you can involve a squad of 14; it lends itself to mixed PE. Visually, it's exciting, and fashion aspect appeals to caps. They love the way it plays, and they like the sliding and stealing. The schools have

team names: Holy Trinity are the Angels, and Catholic High are the Cardinals. "I love cricket, but it is not right for the children at this school; we get hammered by schools with a lot of club ular," McCallion said. players. Our kids find it easier to achieve success at baseball. Last year, four boys from this school represented Calderdale in the North of England championships. One even rep-

Baseball has had a positive effect on other aspects of school life. South Halifax's purpose-built field began as a cross-curricular technology project. The kids built that, in conjunction with Burger King. industry and the local farmer," McCallion said. "It's a tremendous facility. We had the Northern Schools champi-

resented England in the home

internationals."

onships on it last year." port offered by the game's governing bodies, especially the nationwide Pitch. Hit and Run programme for years six and eight promoted by Major League Baseball International and the BBF, "Pitch, Hitch

"Every child in year eight in this school fulfilled the terms of the award and received a certificate. Schools that wanted to take part received a package of equipment worth £200: no other sport, to my knowledge, offers that to a school that fulfils their skills

"With other sports it's a battle to raise funding or sponsorship, cricket and football have never offered me a penny. Major League Base-ball and BBF not only trained our teachers to coach and offered their services for free, they also stumped up equipment to enable it to be taught

The only commitment I asked from schools in return was to buy a set of gloves and to join the league. Thousands of pupils in Calderdale have been introduced to the sport as

MOTOR CYCLING

### Yamaha make presence felt

By Our Sports Staff

SEAN EMMETT and John Reynolds shared British Superbike championship honours at a stormy Brands Hatch yesterday. However, the leading championship positions were retained by the Yamaha squad despite the fact that they had to endure their first weekend this year without a victory.

Niall Mackenzie, the defending title-holder and 1996 pace-setter, struggled to finish eighth and fourth in the two races. Chris Walker, his Yamaha team-mate, earned second and fifth places to close the points gap to nine. Reynolds dominated all the

practice sessions on his Ducati, but hit a deep puddle while leading the first race and slid out on the seat of his leathers: Emmett took full advantage, slicing past Walker on the last lap.

Terry Rymer, the Kawasaki rider, also timed his charge to perfection, taking third from in the final mile. Reynold's machine was repaired for the

second race, but he could not catch the battling leaders, lain Macpherson and Rutter, for almost half of the 24 laps. Rutter enjoyed a spell in the lead, after overtaking Macpherson, before Reynolds finally passed them both to win by less than half a second. Tyre choice was critical on a

drying surface, and Emmett and Mackenzie both gambled on the improving conditions. They were the only riders to choose intermediate instead of full wet-weather tyres and, in the early laps, slumped out of contention. Mackenzie fought back in the closing stages to beat Walker into fourth place by half a length, and Emmett rose to sixth.

At the fifth round of the World Superbike Champion-Monza, John Kocinski, of Castrol-Honda, and Pier-Francesco Chili, on a Ducati, won a race each Michael Rutter, on his Honda, yesterday. Kocinski, of the

United States, secured victory in the opening, dry race, getting the better of a sevenway battle for the lead to beat Aaron Slight by a wheel's length. "it's great to win at Monza - the place is so historic and is known throughout the world." Kocinski said. Carl Fogarty, the championship leader, took a very close third as the

first three were split by

Thunderstorms before the second race helped the challenge of Chili, who grabbed the lead on the tenth lap and eased away, opening up a six-second lead, before crossing the finish line 1.8sec ahead of Kocinski.

Jamie Whitham revelled in the treacherous conditions on his Suzuki to take his second third place in successive rounds, while Fogarty crossed the line fourth. Slight finished fifth, after colliding with Akira Yanagawa while the pair lapped a slower rider.

RUGBY UNION

#### Scotland opt for no changes

SCOTLAND'S tour manage ment have opted not to re-place Craig Chalmers, standoff half, whose hamstring strain has ruled him out of the rest of the six-match tour to South Africa. "We reckoned that we were

well enough covered," said Doug Morgan, the Sootland manager. Morgan had asked yesterday for Ally Donaldson and Bryan Redpath to be flown out to replace Chalmers and the other tour injury victim Rowen Shepherd,

However, Morgan's request was met with the news that both stand-by players were unavailable because of injury. Shepherd has now been replaced by Graeme Beveridge, who arrived in South Africa yesterday. Beveridge is certain to be

named today as one of the replacements in the Scotland squad to face Gauteng Falcons on Wednesday.

#### Dunlop rediscovers star appeal THE BUSINESS tradition that ensures Wim-OF SPORT bledon, which starts today.

remains the tennis lan's favourite grand-slam event. This year should prove no exception, with the capricious English summer weather already threatening to make a mockery of the tournament timetable and the already extortionate price of strawberries and cream set for another inflation-busting hike. Yet there is growing opti-

mism that one unwanted annual tradition - the failure of the British contingent to make any impression on the tournament - may be drawing to a close. The rapid rise of Tim Henman — with Greg Rusedski lurking not far behind — has, for once, left British tennis with two players who are expected to win

Henman recently demonstrated the financial rewards that come from serious tennis success by signing a El million racket sponsorship agreement with Dunlop Slazenger, the British sports goods manufac-

Dunlop's fortunes have mir-



over the years. Stazenger balls have been used at Wimbledon since 1902, but the company seemed to lose its way in more recent times, having been swallowed by the vast industrial conglomerate, BTR. BTR's expertise lay in engineering and financial accounting and not the kind of consumer-orientated brand development that is the staple of Dunloo's business.

However, a management led buy-out of the company from BTR just over a year ago has freed the company to revitalise its brands. In many ways. Henman's progress up the rankings has been a godsend for Dunlop. At long last, the company has a serious British player with which it can appeal to the still important United Kingdom market. More broadly, Henman's instinctive and flair-led approach to the game fits in with the different styles that Dunlop has been developing to distinguish its four main brands.

The company uses Mark Philippoussis, of Australia, and Wayne Ferreira of South Africa, to promote the Dunlop brand. The company is trying to distinguish the Dunlop ball and racket brands by a scientific and futuristic approach to the sport. Philippoussis, after all, is best known for possessing the fastest service in the world, which has recently measured at around 142 miles per hour.

Player sponsorship is not the only method that sports companies could use to promote their products. Dunlop takes a slightly different ap-proach with its Slazenger golf mark, using on-course professionals to promote the range of Slazenger products. in an unusual loyalty scheme, Slazenger provides contributions to pension schemes, hav-

ing discovered that many American course profession als were leaving golf because of the lack of security - a scheme that is now being rolled out in the United Kingdom. Nevertheless, Dunlop has

found that despite the high

costs, player sponsorship remains a fundamental way to develop and distinguish brands. The company discovered in its market research that consumers liked the idea of racket manufacturers spending more on promoting brands at grass-roots level. but assumed that if this was done at the expense of not sponsoring top players, the company must be short of

During Dunlop's era as part of BTR, sponsorship was cut back and the company feels it lost vital ground to its competitors. Now free again to put money behind its brands. Dunlop is optimistic that a Henman success at Wimbledon, despite a hefty bonus payment, would prove to be extremely good value.

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#### BOXING

STAR LEISURE CENTRE, Cardiff: International Boxing Federation after-continental super-feathenweight championship: B Jones (Cardiff, holder) bt A Djelti (Fr) pts. Welterweight (Brids): P Samuels, (Nowbridge) bt H Clarke (Warrey) pts, (Amds) D Williams (Swantea) bt J Smith (Liverpool) pts. Featherweight (Amds): D Pryce (Newbridge) drew with J Farrell (Bootle)

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TAMPA, Florida: Vacant International Boxing Federation super-middfweight title: C Brewer (US) of G Baltard (US) rsc 5th. IBF cruiserweight championship: U Gram (Jam) bit A Washington (US, holder) pls. World Boxing Association benten-weight championship: N Konadu (Cha) bit D Sriwet (Thu, holder) rsc 7th WBA North American heavyweight championship: Botha (SA holder) bit L Gilbert (US) pts

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FOR THE RECORD CARDIFF, Cettic Manor; Welsh warnen's tearn championship: Semi-finals; Whitchuich bi Ponnard 3-2; St Pierre bi Rhuddlan 3-2

MOTORCYCLING MONZA: World superbike champtonship. Iboth racos 18 taps 64 5 miles; First race: 1, J kochrisk (US, Castrol Honda) 32min 42 944 sec; 2, A Sight (NZ, Castrol Honda) 3241 999, 3, C Fogurly (GB, Ducati) 3241 952, 4, S Cratar (NZ, Kawasaki) 3242 326, 5, S Russell (US, Yarraha) 3242 573, Second race: 1 P Francesco Chik (Ir. Ducati) 36 46 917, 2, kochriski 36 48 657, 3, J Whitham (GB, Suzuki) 36 53 905, 4, Fogarly 36-55 165, 5, Sight 37 27 241, Leading championship positions after five rounds: 1, Fogarly 1770ts, 2, Kochriski 96

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72, 76, 223: S Shudwack (GB) 73, 71, 79. COLLINGTREE PARK, Northampton. Pyder Collingtree Seniore Classic: Leading final scores (Great British and treland unless stated) 208: N Colos 68, 71 69. 215: A Garmdo (Sp) 72, 75, 68, B Warles 69, 72, 74, 217: A Bardha (US) 70, 71, 76. Dazbie (US) 71, 73, 73, 218: T Horton 71, 74, 73: J Rhodes 72, 76, 70, 219: I Richardson 71, 77, 71 220: M Bernbridge 75, 72, 72, 221: H Jackson 73, 76, 72; R Vines (Aus) 74, 71, 76; 222: G Burroughs 75, 71, 76; B Casper (US) 70, 76, 76.

75, 71, 76; B Casper (US) 70 76, 76; NORTHOP COUNTRY PARK: Glenmuir PGA club professionals championship: Leading final scores: 288: B Rimmer Trentham Park; 70, 68: 64, 65: 276: P Wesserlingh (Hawkistone Park) 67, 70, 72, 57, 277: S Bermett (Swingtime Gold and Leisure) 75, 65, 70, 67, 278: B McColl (Thorpe Hall) 72, 68, 89, 69, 290: B Longmur (Storykilli 70, 68, 72, 70; 281: N Brown (Mid-Herts) 66, 69, 71, 76; L Fickling (Enfield) 58, 69, 70, 74, R Weyr (Cores) 73, 68, 71, 76; G Law (Liphal) 77, 69, 69, 73,

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BRANDS HATCH: Motorcycle News British superbike champtonship: Fourth round: First leg (24 lapst 1, S Emmett (Ducali) 21mn 15 831sec 2, C Walker (Yamaha) 21 16 014, 3, T Rymar (Kawasaki) 2124 653 5, I MacPherson (Kawasaki) 21 24 653 5, I MacPherson (Kawasaki) 21 24 053 5, I MacPherson (Kawasaki) 21 24 053 5, I MacPherson 21 22 496, 4, N Mackenze (Yamaha) 21 23 677, 5, Walker 21 29 701 Leading champtonship positions (alterestyl races) 1, Mackenze 14 301s; 2, Walker 134, 3, Emmett 104; 4, Raynolds 98; 5 Rutter 81

CHINA: Inaugural 555 raily (Hong kong to Beijing), Leading positions after her legs: 1, C. McRae (Subaru Impleza 555), 3tu 13mm Stoer: 2, K. Eriksson (Subaru 555), 3 14 27-3, Y. Fujimoto (Toyota Celica GT-4), 323 58, 4 S. Yonskin (Subaru Impeza 555), 5, R Storil (Audi Coupe), 3 35 09

#### ROLLER HOCKEY

MIDDLESPROUGH: National Grade: MI-nors Cup: Herne Bay Uid 3 Sharley Park 1 Schoolboys Cup: Manchoster 13 Middles-brough 8 Intermediate Cup: Adur 6 Hume Bay Utd 2 Junior Cup: Heme Bay Utd 4 Manchester 1 Women's Cup: Reford 4 National Select 2. Men's Cup: Maddstone Air Systems 6 Apex Heme Bay Utd 5 (ant. 3-3 at full time)

#### ROWING

PARIS: World Cup Regulta: World Cup events: Men: Coxless pairs; 1, Liftuania 6mm 26soc. 2, Great Britain (R Thaucher, B

Hunt-Davis; 6-27; 3, France 6-28 Double scutts: 1, Germany 6mn 14sec, 2, Norway 6-16: 3, Australia 6-17; 10, Great Britain Codess fours: 1, Great Britain (J. Cracimel, 8 Rectgrave, 1 Foster, M. Prisserr) 5mn 48 16sec, 2, France 15:4893, 3, France II 5-50 Soulls: 1 Soverna (Cop) 6mn 43sec, 2 Egypt (At) 6-44, 3, Norway (Belden) 6-51-6, Great Britain (G. Scarle) 7:01 Quad scutts: 1, Belenia 5mn 48ec; 2, Australia 5-49-3, Switzerland 5-50, 9, Great Britain Eights: 1, Australia 5mn 29sec, 2, Romeing 5-31-3 Germany 5-34; 4, Great Britain 6-35 Lightweight ment Double scutts: 1, Germany 6-34; 4, Great Britain 8-10, Great Britain 18sec, 2, Switzerland 6-19; 3, France 6-19-8-9, Great Britain 8-10, Great Britain 18sec, 2 (Britain 8-10, Great Britain 8-10, Gre

#### MOTOR RALLYING

Smin 30sec, School/Junior coxed tours: Brockville (Can) bt Bryarston 2, Smin 40sec Open coxiess tours: Tharnes bt Gucen's Tower 4l, Smin 18sec Open quadruple sculls: Deby bt Tharnes convas, Smin 02sec Jupitweight quad sculls: Tharnes bt Kingston/Eveshern by 4l, Smin 05sec Junior quad Sculls: Pengwern/Markow/Fumival/Wilham Bortace bt Markow easily, Smin 16sec Open double sculls: Smin 36sec Lightweight double sculls: Hereford bt Upper Tharnes: 1%, Smin 34sec Junior double sculls: George Walson's Call bt Christ Church 3l, Smin 41sec, The Redgrave Open coxides pairs: Ecinburgh Univ./CUMBC bt Chyde/Strathchyde University, Smin 40sec Lightweight doubles sculls: R Carroll (Nors County 18l, int. Open single sculls: R Carroll (Nors County 18l, int. Smin 54sec Lightweight single sculls: S Appleboom (Mortleke Angitan and Alpha) bt M Celvert (Agectotil easily Smin 57sec MARLOW REGATTA: Eights: Senior one:

CRICKET: Brentwood 54 \* Forest 58-1:
\*Kambollon 186 Old Amboltonians 129.
\*Prior Park 162-7 Downside 114 \* Wellingborough 111 Bedford Modern 113-2;
William Hulmer 106-9 \* Modernar 13-2;
Crosby 107-3 \* denotes home team
SHOOTING: Clayton Challenge schools
match 1, Cheltenham 510 35pts; 2, Epsom
500 26: 3 RGS Carlottor 486-25 Individtable 1, P Savage (RGS) 68 6pts; 2, D Rose
(Epsom) 67-9; 3, B Stoats (Cheltenham)
67-8 (both at Bisley)
SWIMMING: National primary schools
championships: Winners; Boys: Medley
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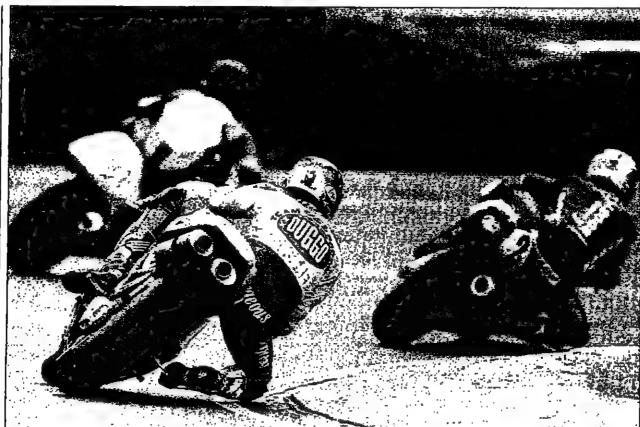
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MARLOW REGATTA: Eights: Senior one: Goldie 284, 4min 33ccc. Senior two; kng s. Crester carvas: ht. Senior three. A division: Bon "al, 4min 47scc. B division: Brasenose/SI Edmund Hell 194, 4min 55scc. Jumor 15: Radley 11, 5min 05scc. Senior two: Linvestily of Natil. Petermarizburg 11, 5min 14sec. Coxed fours: Effet: Uppor Thames disquit Senior two: University of Natil. Petermarizburg 11, 5min 14sec. Coxed fours: Effet: Thames Tradesmon 39-1, 5min 13sec. Coxed sours: Effet: Thames Tradesmon 39-1, 5min 35sec. School/jumor: Windsov/Claires Coxed sours: Effet: Thames Tradesmon 39-1, 5min 35sec. Senior one: G Monnockendam (fyrian) 21, ntr. Senior two: M Bake (Mariow) 41, ntr. Sec. Senior one: G Monnockendam (fyrian) 21, ntr. Senior two: M Bake (Mariow) 41, ntr. SCHOOLS SPORT

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ROSMALEN, Holland: Open tournament:
Mert: Semi-finals: R. Frinjesk (Holl) br M.
Chang (US) 6-7, 6-3, 6-4, G. Recou, first br J.
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Racous 6-4, 7-6. Women: Semi-finals: R.
Dracomir (Rom) bl. A. Carlsson (Swe) 6-4,
6-2. M. Otemans (Holl) bl. A. Huber (Ger) 4-6,
6-4 ret. Finalt: Dragomir bl. Otemans 5-7,
6-2, 6-4.

# RUGBY UNION Afenskyeva (Pluzs) Imm 59,93cpc, 2, I Ne-delanko-Lishchtraskye (Urd 200 71 3, L. Neabake (Ger) 2 01 07, 4, C. Stanciu (Rom) 201 77, 6, S. Fouton (Ft) 202 36, 7, H. Parry (G8) Fouton (Ft) 202 36, 7, H. Parry (G8) 202 47, 8, C. Salvarani (ft) 20 2 84, 1,500m; 1, K. Holmes (G8) 40 79, 2, G. Szabo (Rom) 4166 25; 3, I. Bruskova (Russ) 4,07,98, 4, F. Ouerton (Ft) 412 14; 5, N. Chemysheva (Mrt 4,13,31, 8, S. Kuehnemund (Ger) 4,13 78; 7, E. Rea (Int 4,14,99, 8, E. Bychovskye (Bela) 41,17,34,3,000m; 1, R. Bruner (I) 621,66; 2, k. Da Fonssca-Wolthelm (Gar) 852 20, 9, P. Radcoffe (G8) 8:52 79; 4, E. Fidalov (Rom) 9 07,43, 5, B. Bdzmer (Ft) 9-12 56, 6, Y. Podkoptyeva (Pluss) 9 17,27, 7, S. Marochnik (Urd) 9:29,42; 8, N. Kvacchuk, Belaj 9:43,52,6,000m; 1, G. Szabo (Rom) 15:02 69; 2, Brunel 16:02 87, 3, k. Zamuc (Ger) 15:52,95; 4, L. Dougensov (Fr. 15:56 33; 5, Y. Mazona (Urd) 15:56 26, 6, A. Zhilyayeva (Russ) 16:02 99; 7, L. Elictri (G8) 16:07, 22; 8, N. Gastuchkova (Russ) 16:20,83, 100m hurdlest (1, 13) 3, 4. Thory (G8) 13:16, 4. C. Tuzz (Il) 13:23, 5, O. Kuchma (Urd) 13:43, 6, L. Naslase (Form) 13:65, 7, N. Voronkova (Russ) 35:66, 4, T. Kurochkova (Bela) 13:90; 8, H. Blessneck (Ger) 14:38, 400m hurdlest 1, S. Cunnel (G8) 54:7, 6, F. Delance (Ft) 57:77, 7, C. Berbarno (Il) 57:78, 8, I. Tribes (From) 58:14, 4 k. 100m ratayr 1, Russus Smin 24:23, 8, Romanis 44:84, 8, H. Kurochkova (Russ) 35:68, 4, T. Kurochkova (Russ) 35:68, 4, T. Kurochkova (Russ) 35:69, High Jumps 1, H. Balack (Gar) 194m, 2, T. McGrova (Fuss) 192:3, A. Berbarnova (Russ) 194:5, 2, McGrova (Fuss) 192:3, A. Berbarnova (Russ) 194:5, 2, McGrova (Fuss) 194:5, 2, McGrova (Fuss) 194:7, 2, McGrov



Sean Emmett, riding a Ducati, chases the leaders during the fourth round of the British superbike championship at Brands Hatch. Emmett won the first race and finished sixth in the second. Photograph: James Wright/Double Red

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Friday: Detror 12

(GB) 1.84; 7, M. Colonville (Fr) 1.84, 8, T. Khramova (Bela) 1.81 Pole vault: 1, A. Balekhonova (Ush) 4.25; 2, A. Midler (Sei) 4.20; 3, J. Whitlock (GB) 4.10; 4, M. Possonner (Fr) 4.05, 5, S. Abramova (Rusa) 4.05; 6, M. C. Bresciam (II) 3.95, 7, G. Minulcos (Rom) 3.95, 8, G. Isochrenko (Bela) 3.20 Long jump: 1, F. May (II) 6.51, 2, N. Paravedentseva (Rusa) 6.00, 3, S. Tagche-Green (Ger) 6.57; 4, D. Lewas (GB) 6.56, 5, L. Ferga (Fr) 6.42; 6, Y. Lamsherdaya (Bela) 6.34; 7, L. Berszhnaya (Ush) 6.34; 8, M. Tolh (Rom) 6.25 Triple (ump: 1, 1 Lasovskaya (Rusa) 14.91; 2, R. Maressou (Rom) 14.53; 3, A. Hansen (GB) 14.52; 4, E. Govorova (Ush) 14.06, 5, J. Guneava (Bela) 13.85; 6, P. Lobriger (Ger) 13.85; 7, B. Lah (II) 13.68, 8, 8, 8, 14.10; 14.06, 5, J. Guneava (Bela) 13.85; 6, P. Lobriger (Ger) 13.85; 7, B. Lah (II) 13.68, 8, 8, 14.10; 14.06, 5, J. Guneava (Bela) 13.85; 6, P. Lobriger (Ger) 13.85; 7, B. Lah (II) 13.68, 8, 8, 14.10; 14.06, 5, J. Guneava (Bela) 16.80; 7, M. Augne (GB) 16.74, 8, L. Mantredi (Fr) 16.58 Discust: 1, M. Sadova (Rusa) 67, 7, M. Augne (GB) 16.74, 8, L. Mantredi (Fr) 16.58 Discust: 1, M. Grasu (Rom) 60.02; 5, i. Devaluez (Fr) 56.32; 6, A. Martes (II) 584, 0, H. Mantredi (GB) 54.40. Hammer: 1, O. Mucera-va (Rusa) 73.10 (sound resond), 2, M. Melinta (Rom) 69,76, 3, L. Goubkora 68.24; 4, L. Spruies (GB) 60.10; 7, C. S. Maztes (Ger) 56.12; 8, M. Tranchina (R) 56.10; 8, 10. Javallin: 1, O. Ovchrinikova Riussi 67.16; 2, F. Tilba (Rom) 69.38; 3, T. Derrastire (Ger) 56.12; 8, M. Tranchina (B) 56.10; 7, A. Serdyul, Gelebi 52.84; 8, S. Giscon (GB) 50.20 Final positions: 1, Russa 127,pts; 2, Germany 10.5, 3, Greet Britan 86,4, Usrane 80; 5, Ray 77; 6, France 77, 7, Rorranta 77; U. Bultima 94. Toronto Denos Bostan 56 22 528 34 34 500 32 35 485 33 37 471 33 38 4554 Cleveland Massurer Kansas Chy Chrosgo (15 Manesota West company 21 21 609 27 24 521 28 34 514 52 44 426 Seattle Anaheum Texas Oekland CORK: Cork City Sports (GB unless stated): Ment 100mt 1. D Money 10 16sec. 2, G Ryan (se) 10.22. 200mt Ryan 20.69. 400mt J Descon 46.56sec 800mt P Koet

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#### CYCLING

TOUR OF SWITZERLAND: Fourth stage (La Chaux-de-Fands to Kandersteg, 1932-m) 1, J Ulmch (Ger) 4th 25mm 1, 25sec; 2, 9 Garzalt (II) at 38sec; 3, R Meer (Switz) same time; 4, M Bartoli (II) at 1mm 6sec; 5, 0 Cameratind (Switz) at 1111; 6, U Bètis (Gen same time; 7, J Hepponer (Ger) 114, 8, F Secchan (II) same time; 9, P Lutteriberger (Austria) same time; 10, B Zberg (Switz) same time, 10, B Zberg 57, 7, D Nardelo Still at 1mm 06sec; 8, Meer 106; 9, L Jeashen (Fin 124: 10, D Entebarra (Spi 125 Switz) same sine time; 3 F Casagrande (II) 21; 4, Camerand 42; 5, F Garca Casatison at 1mm 02sec; 6, Garzelt 106; 7, Lutenberger 109; 8, P Buscher (Switz) same sine Leading overalt positions: 1, C Agnoluto (Fin 18hr 43mm 18sec; 2, Camerand at 5mn 14sec; 3, Ulanch 6:18, 4, Edebarra 6 20, 5 Meer 7:06.

OTHER ROAD RACES: British Universities SA championatrip (Claus Top, Kiddeminster, 81 miles): 1, M. Ford (Coverny) 2hr 55man 30sec; 2, R Lyne

(West of England) at Sec., 3, J Henderson (Oxford) at Sec. VC Kingsbridge (Ermington, Devon, 54 mass.), 1, 4 Ryder (3, Budean, CC) 2th 28mm Obsec, 2, A Parker (Md-Devon, CC) same time, 3, G Sandy (JPM Recing) at 120

MOUNTAIN BIKES: SAMS (Southern Area sanes, third round, Slammer Park, Brighton): Men (20 miles): 1. M Guy (Team Guarri, 2hr 14mm 12sec; 2. C Stungeon (Team Crange) at Sissec, 3. O Beechngsale (Sooti UK) at 3.14. Women (15 miles). 1. J. Whiting (Universa). 2hr. 08min. 25sec, 2. R. Pickett (Pougeot) at 14:08; 3. S. Thomas (Seon UK) at 15.14.

(Pougeot) et 14(08; 3, 8 Thomas (Seor) LK) at 15-14

Time TRIALB: RTTC National 50-mile chemptonship (Crawley, West Sussau) 1, 8 Yates (Team Clean) 1hr 43mm 35sec, 2, 6 Platts (Coshalle Wheelers) 1,47:14; 4, 8 Dangerfield (Wheelers) 1,47:14; 4, 8 Dangerfield (Wheelers CC) 1,47-24; 5, 8 Dangerfield (Wheelers CC) 1,47-24; 5, 8 Dangerfield (Wheelers CC) 1,47-24; 5, 9 Dangerfield (Wheelers CC) 1,47-24; 5, 9 Dangerfield (Wheelers) 1,1 Cappenhorn and District CTC 164 30, 3, 4 Cook (Chappenhorn and District Wheelers) 5,4 33 Team: Blackburn and District CTC 246:36 CC Breekland (Notok, 100 males); 1, Dailt (Diss and District CC) 47r 05mm 08sec, 2, D Salomen (Whitewebbs CC) 405:34,3, D Maslem (VC Notwich) 4,10,45, Team: CC Breckland 12:12:38 Reading CC (Didoct, 50 miles); 1, R Homer (Team 120/50), thr 46mm 49sec; 2, E Deane (Bournemouth Jubilec Wheelers); 1,46 54; 3, R Whoels (Cornium CC) 1:48:23 Team: Sanjan Design 5,48,31 Cleveland Wheelers (Cariborne, North Yorkshive, 50 miles); 1, 5 Fullerton (Richmond and Darington CC) this 5mm 27sec; 2, J Warrynan (Hull Thursday RC); 1,53 48, 3, P Nicholson (Cleveland Wheelers 1:50:205 Lamasser CC (Gevetand Wheelers 1:50:205 Lamasser CC (Gevetand Wheelers 1:50:205 Lamasser CC (Gevetand Wheelers 1:50:305), 1, G Woodhouse (Kent Valley RC) 11:38:05, 3, R Warrington (Team Lusso); 1:59:13 Team: Kent Valley RC (125-54, Andover Wheelers (50 miles); 1, J Clarke (Salisbury RC); 11:57mm 51:sec, 2, A Strokland (Corinium CC) 20:34, 3, M Stoaling (Wessex RC); 2 (14:28 Team; Westbury Wheelers (50:19); 5 poedwell BC (Cleobury Mortmer, Shropshre, 45 miles); 1, D Willetts (Brichtield CC) Ith 48min 47:soc (course and event record); 2, L Rathbone (Con the Edge RT); 2014; 3, G Birch (Con the Edge RT); 2014; 3, G Bir

(Wrekinsport CC) 2:03:19 Team: Elizabehran CC 8:39:12 RAF CC (Carthorne, North Yorkshre, 25 miles), 1. C Newton (North Wirral Velo) 50min 7:7set (course record); 2. R Berry (RAF CC) E4 35; 3. R Wishon (Royal Navy and Royal Martins CA) 55:29 Team: Royal Navy and Royal Martins CA) 25:121 inter-Services championship: 1, Berry, 2. Wisson: 3, A Stanton (Royal Navy and Royal Navy (NC Cambol) 52 miles); 1, A Horner (VC Cambol) 62:31 Team: 65:96:2 S Bandais (Acrus 2000) 82:06; 3. C Brooks (VC Cambol) 62:31 Team: Brook (Cambol) 62:31 Team: Brook (RC 2:40 Navy 18:20:2); 2. A Barber (Sigma Sport Rhi 55:47 Team: Stants (Sigma Sport Rhi 55:47 Team: Chesteried Courseurs); 55:30 Team: Chesteried Courseurs; 56:30 Stantone (Teams Teams (Team Viol Sport); 10:25:30 North (Teams Team Chesteried Courseurs); 55:30 Team: Chesteried Courseurs; 56:30 Stantone (Teams Teams Team Chesteried Courseurs); 10:28:31 North Courseurs; 10:30 North Courseurs; 10:30 North Cours

South Africa 18 British Isles 25 South Africa: Tries: Bunner, Du Randt Pens: Homball, Lubbe British Isles: Tries: Dawson, Tail Pens: Jankins 5 (at Newlands, Cape Town)

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WORLD CUP: Pacific qualifying zone: Round B: Fir 20 Tonga 10 (in Suve) TOUR MATCHES: Friday's late result: Gautong Lions 42 Scotland XV 20 (al Elis Park, Johannesburg), Seturday: Western Samon XV 20 New Zealand Moons 34 (in

CURRIE CUP: Natal 26 South Western Districts 22 (in Durben), Border 41 Mpumalange 23 (in East London) REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Kerri 35 Comwall 36 (at the Heath, Blackheath).

#### **RUGBY LEAGUE**



Super League Visa world club champlonship

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International matches

(all Sydney Football Studium)



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#### CLUB CRICKET

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Mayor (3) 18 97: 8. M Sankos (So) 14 16 400m hundless 1, F. Mon (II) 48 93. 2. B Diagram (Fr) 49.15: 3. R Missischemico (Russ) 49 74: 4. O Phillas (Sp) 51.05: 5. C Resiminator (38) 51 00: 6. K Noumouldis (9) 52 01: 7. A Lunn (Nort) 54 09. 8. K Ermscenger (36): 55. 13. 4 x 100m reters. 1. Italy 36 80: 2. Norway 38 96: 3. Great Britain 38 97: 4. Germany 39.08: 5. Tarroce 39 29. 8. Greaces 39.33: 7. Spain 39 44: 8. Russus 39 48: 4 x 400m retery. 7. Great Britain (R) Basis, J. Bauch, 1 Thomas, M. Hichardson) Britain 59. Assec: 2. Rely 302: 80; 3. Russis 303 09; 4. France 303 58: 5. Germany 39.08: 7. Greates 305 88, 8. Norway 307, 31. High jump: 1. A Oriz (Sp) 230m, 2. St Kingin (Russ) 230; 7. Greaces 305 88, 8. Norway 307, 31. High jump: 1. A Oriz (Sp) 230m, 2. St Kingin (Russ) 230; 3. M Buss (Gar) 2.30: 4. S Smith (GB) 2.28: 5. Sheen (Nord 2.28: 6. J Vincent (Fr) 2.28: 7. D hokotos (Gir) 2.21: 8. I Bernascon (III 2.18 Pote vasiti: 1. M Tarasov (Russ) 5 56: 2. J Gefford (Fr) 3 75: 3. T Lobinger (Ger) 5 70: 4. F Pizzosta (II) 5 30. S. N Buckladd (GB) 5.50. 6. G Conception (Sp) 6-30: 7. T Barthel (Nor 5.20: 8. K Tzwas (Gr) 5.00. Long jump: 1, A Sosunovi (Russ) 5 80: 2. J Gefford (Nor 1) 7.88: 3. E Barque (Fr) 7.88; 4. K Krasse (Ger) 7.74; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7.74; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7.74; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7.74; 6. R Fernances (Sp) 7.74; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7.74; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7.74; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7. Rely 4. K Valuodimos (Gr) 17.4; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7. Rely 4. K Valuodimos (Gr) 17.74; 5. R Fernances (Sp) 7. Rely 4. K Valuodimos (Gr) 17. Rely 5. R Fernances (Gr) 17. Rely 6. R Fernances (Gr) 17. R Fernances (Gr)

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HAMPTON TRUST MIDDLESEX COUNTY LEAGUE: Eating 166-7dec Sastoote 53-3. Hampslead 60-1 v Sh Hampslead, Richmond 141-8dec Brentham 13-3. Shepherds Bush 216-8dec Homsey 29-3: Brondesbury 40-1 v Stammore, Tectington 160-6dec Southgate 35-1. North Middlesex 0-0 v Wembley, Urdondge 43-3 v Wind-more Hill NOSWINGH United National K 41 LIANGE. wemsey, Dronge assay haterials he
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# Wails and tales down by the riverbank

ith fly-fishing, as with other plea-sures in life, the lies in the anticipation. For weeks I had dreamt of landing the big silver one and standing there beaming with my fish. Fisherman holding freshly caught salmon" is not an uncommon subject for the

Fiona Armstrong, the TV presenter, has written a beginner's guide to salmon fishing, F is for Fly-Fishing, in which she says that all you need is a rod, a reel, some line, a length of nylon and a box of flies.

So on the day she took me fishing I was surprised to find her car boot crammed with wicker baskets, mountains of sandwiches, several pairs of waders, heaps of flies, any number of flasks, and enough pullovers to warm a battalion. Clearly, this was to be an

The beat that we had been allocated was one of two on four miles of the River Tweed near Berwick-Upon-Tweed called Horncliffe Fishing. The Tweed evokes the same reverence among salmon anglers as Lord's does among cricketers. There are about 10,000 salmon caught there every year by rod

Not far from us at Kelso, on a stretch of water known as the Junction Pool, people pay more than £20,000 a week for six rods in the October peak. But then you can also get time there in June and July for £25 a day per rod (no gillie) because



Expert: Fiona shows how it's done. Below: Ally's Shrimp



Equipment Salmon rod: £70-£600 Reel: E45-E200 Waders: £75-£170 Flies: £1-£2 each Fly lines: £30-£40 each Wading jacket: £100-£200 Life-jacket: £100-£120

there are fewer salmon around. The price for a beat generally reflects the amount of fish likely to be caught there at a certain time. At Horncliffe, Northumberland, where 270 salmon were taken last season (February I to November 30), the cost a day per rod (up to four rods on each beat) is £70 from mid-August to early October.

The gillie is extra at E30 a day, but his services are mandatory on the Horncliffe beats from the end of July until

"A bright fly for a bright day, a dull fly for a dull day is a general rule of thumb," said Ms Armstrong as the gillie, Carl Hudson, assembled my 15-ft carbon-fibre rod. Mr Hudson selected a fly for me called the Cornet, which was black and red with a trail of

chosen it," he explained. Salmon flies can be made from feather, fur, silk, tinsel and hair - success has been recorded with flies that in-

yellow hair. "I've had success

with this one at this time of the

season, so that's why I've

hair. Flies come in a stagger ing variety of size and colour with names to match: The General Practitioner, Garry Dog, Hairy Mary, Silver Rat and Ally's Shrimp.

There is also a Fiona's Fancy, named after my hostess. She confesses that nothing has fancied it yet. Some dedi-cated fisher folk tie their own flies, thus choosing what goes

Although salmon tend to lie deeper in colder water, Horncliffe's fishing agent. Albert Robinson, gave me the impression that the fish are a law unto themselves. "There's nothing logical about salmon at all," he said, "They're completely unpredictable. If they're not in the taking mood, they won't take. If they're in the taking mood, they'll take anything."

As a general guide, the lower the salmon lie in the water, the heavier the line and the bigger the fly you will need

Ms Armstrong, occasional guest presenter of BSkyB's fishing series Tight Lines and regular contributor to Trout and Salmon magazine, believes that salmon fishing is not just about the catch. "It's bank, the fresh air, the companionship of anglers, the exercise and the escape from telephones and faxes," she

As far as I could see, it was also about escaping from traf-fic. Three days before I had



Cast away: Dymond (left) is taught the "tick, tock" method of casting by Carl Hudson

been stuck on the Al3 outside Ford's at Dagenham, in Greater London, and here I was being gently rowed into the middle of the Tweed with an English springer spaniel called Jive.

With the boat anchored by a short piece of railway line, Mr Hudson began to instruct me in the art of casting. You've got to fool the salmon into thinking that the fly bobbing in the water is real and worth having a stab at, so the less you make an exhibition of yourself, the

There are several ways of casting, but when it comes to using the overhead method, Mr Hudson adheres to the "tick, tock" principle. Thus he told me to say "tick" as I flicked the rod out of the water

to a position directly above my head and "tock" as I laid it down again almost at a right angle to the bank. A straight back was required, but cer-tainly not brute force. Bowing to the river, as people tactfully describe the act of throwing yourself forward to project the line, is considered bad form. Anyway, it rocks the boat.

the water. I waited ນກນັ່ນ it had "swum" round with the current and was resting "on the dangle" before snapping up the rod again and re-casting. The process was repeated many times before the gillie rowed upriver to find another place. Covering the beat is all

This man's in danger of impersonating a fly-fisher-man," Mr Hudson said to Ms Armstrong. I assumed the gillie says this about all newcorners as a way of encouragement, but I preened none the I wasn't sure how I would

feel about despatching a salmon, but the matter did not arise. I had heard stories of fishermen going for years without a catch so a morning without was hardly worth crying over. Besides, I had saved

Horncliffe Fishing some money. The Tweed commissioners raise a levy on beats for policing and scientific work, based on a five-year" average catch rate. At the

#### ■ HORNCLIFFE

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Fishing is near Norham. Northumberland, tel 01289 386683. . . -

■ THE JUNCTION Pool at Kelso offers spring and autumn fishing (February 1 to Nov 30) contact Strutt & Parker 0171 629 7282. For summer fishing contact tackle shops in the Borders.

AN ANNUAL rodlicence for game fishing (salmon and sea trout) is required for anyone fishing for salmon in England and Wales, though not in Scotland and not on the Tweed. It costs E55 from post offices.

PIONA Armstrong's book, F is for Fly-Fishing, is published by Neil Wilson at £9.99. ■ GAME angling

instructors can be contacted through the Salmon and Trout Association's National Register of Game Angling Instructors, tel: 0171 283 5838, or via the Association of Professional Game Angling Instructors, secretary, Michael Evans, tel 01342 850765. The Register of Experienced Fly Fishing instructors and-Schools, 01305 848460. has instructors and schools nationwide. ■ TOURIST

information centres in the Borders offer free copies of the Complete Guide to Fishing in the Scottish Borders.

fish. One of the reasons that folk consider fly-fishing to be the purest form of fishing is because of the skill involved in

casting a fly.
This is what captivated Ann Graham so much ten years ago and turned her into a complete enthusiast, one of 3-4 million anglers in this country. "When I go fishing I forget all my troubles because I am so completely consumed in the

sport," she said.

She had bade me "tight lines before my fishing trip, which equates to saying: "Good luck, and hope your line becomes taut with a big fat salmon at the end." The fact that it didn't means I am still anticipating. And that's as good a reason as any for moment it works out at £40 a returning to the riverbank.



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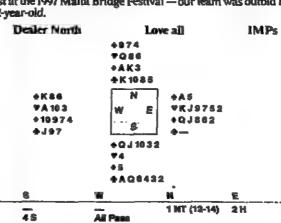
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#### By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent

There are various way stations in a bridge player's decline. Ones I've passed so far include losing to a team captained by someone with a double-barrelled name, losing a Gold Cup match to a team containing women (twice, admittedly against the ex-world champions Pat Davies and Nicola Smith), and losing to a team in which a man was playing with his mother. I haven't yet lost to a Welsh team, but no doubt it'll come. I added a new one to the list at the 1997 Malta Bridge Festival — our team was outbid by a



ict: Four Spades by South. Lead: fon of diamond:

South has an awkward call over East's Two Heart intervention. When my partner Three Clubs: although that is not forcing, with his distribu-tional hand it seemed quite likely there would be further bidding from the opposition. giving him a chance to show his spades later. Unfortunately for him. East-West passed out Three Clubs despite being cold for Four Hearts.

The auction at the other table is shown above. Ollie Burgess, aged 12, sat South. Clubs for him - he jumped

decided to go quietly, and Four Spades came home after the diamond lead. It could have been beaten if the defence had managed to take a club ruff. ☐ Great Britain is the home of three fine bridge magazines: International Popular Bridge Monthly, Bridge Magazine and Bridge Plus. If you think you might like to subscribe to one. Mr Bridge will send you a free sample copy of all three. Send £1.50 to cover postage to Mr Bridge, Ryden Grange, Bisley, Surrey, GU21 2TH. ☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

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a. A university b. Uncertainty c. A student's cap

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#### WORD-WATCHING

#### By Philip Howard

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# KEENE Ōn CHESS

#### By RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

#### Short's revival

Nigel Short bounced back after his poor start in the Novgorod tournament to win in the seventh and eighth rounds against, respectively, Yevgeni Bareev and Vladimir Kramnik.

Beating Kramnik, in particular, is a most noteworthy achievement, given Kramnik's recent scores against Kasparov and his overall No 2

Sicilian Defence

White: Nigel Short Black: Vladimir Kramnik Novgorod, June 1997

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#### Prize puzzle

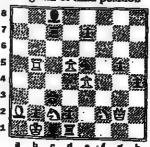
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Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

#### WINNING MOVE

#### By Raymond Keene

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This week I celebrate the great English player Howard Staumon whose headstone will be unveiled at Kensal Green cemetery on July 28. Black to play. From the garne Evans - Staunton, London 1845. Black moves his knight on f3. giving check with his queen on ch. Could Black be hampered by the artack against his queen? What did

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#### Remedies for refusal of entry to EC state trary to public policy and security to allow him entry, and, second,

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Advocate General D. Ruiz-Jarabo

(Opinion November 25, 1996) [Judgment June 17]

The provision of a Community directive requiring nationals of a member state who were refused entry into another state to have the same legal remedies as were available to nationals of the latter state, was satisfied if nationals of all member states enjoyed remedies against acts of the administration generally in that state, even if different remedies were also

available to nationals of the state.

The Court of Justice of the European Communities so held. nter alia. on a reference by the Queen's Bench Divisional Court for a preliminary ruling under article 177 of the EC Treaty, in which a number of questions we asked on the interpretation of articles 8 and 9 of Council Directive 64/221/EEC of February 25. 1964 on the co-ordination of special measures concerning the move-ment and residence of foreign nationals which were justified on grounds of public policy, public security or public health (OJ English Special Edition 1963-1964

The applicant in the first case. Mr Mann Singh Shingara, a French national, attempted to visit the United Kingdom in 1991 but

The notice of refusal indicated, first, that the secretary of state had personally decided that, owing to Mr Shingara's alleged links with

that Mr Shingara was not entitled to appeal against the refusal of

In July 1993 Mr Shingara was admitted to the United Kingdom, but a few days later was arrested. detained as an illegal entrant and returned to France.

The applicant in the second case, Mr Abbas Radiom, who had both Iranian and Irish nationality, resided in Ireland.

In 1983 he was granted indefinite leave to remain in the United Kingdom, where he worked for the iranian consular service, but in 1989, following the severing of liplomatic relations between the United Kingdom and the Islamic Republic of Iran, he was told by the Home Office that he would be detained and deported if he did not leave within seven days.

He later applied to the Home Office for a Community residence permit, but was refused by a letter November 1992 which also stated that he had no right of

The order for reference stated that the secretary of state, after personal consideration, had concluded that it would not be in the interests of national security for exclusion order to be withdrawn.

In applications for judicial review, the applicants sought a declaration that they were entitled to appeal under article 8 of Directive 64/221 against the decisions of July 1993 and November 1992. respectively, or to an examination of their situation in accordance with article 9.

Article I of the directive provides: (I) The provisions of this Directive shall apply to any national of a member state who resides in or travels to another member state of the community. . ."

Article 8 provides: "The person

concerned shall have the same legal remedies in respect of any decision concerning entry, or refusing the issue or renewal of a residence permit, or ordering expulsion from the territory, as are concerned in respect of acts of the lministration.'

Article 9 provides: "(I) Where there is no right of appeal to a court of law, or where such appeal may be only in respect of the legal validity of the decision, or where the appeal cannot have suspensory effect, a decision refusing renewal of a residence permit or ordering the expulsion of the holder of a residence permit from the territory shall not be taken by the administrative authority ... until an opinion has been obtained from a

competent authority of the host country before which the person concerned enjoys such rights of defence and of assistance or representation as the domestic law that country provides for ... "(2) Any decision refusing the issue of a first residence permit or

ordering expulsion of the person concerned before the issue of the permit shall, where the person so requests, he referred for consideration to the authority whose prior opinion is required under roragraph ()). . . "

in its judgment the European The first question referred con-

cerned remedies under national

Section 13 of the Immigration Act 1971 provided that a person refused leave to enter the United Kingdom could appeal to an adjudicator, but that there was no such right of appeal if the secretary of state certified that directions had

concerned not to be given entry on the ground that his exclusion was conducive to the public good. That administrative remedy was to be distinguished, in the United Kingdom, from applications for judicial review, whereby the legality of decisions of public authori-

ordinary courts. The applicants maintained that where nationals of a member state had a specific right of appeal against any refusal of recognition of their right of entry, nationals of other member states must have the

es was subject to review by the

same right of appeal in respect of a similar refusal, even if the reasons for the refusal differed.

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The United Kingdom Government argued that article 8 referred to remedies in general and the guarantee of the availability of udicial review was sufficient to comply with its provisions. The directive did not call for comparisons between the circumstances of a national of a member state refused entry into another member state and the hypothetical and situation of a national

for reasons of national security. The national legislation provided for remedies in respect of acts of the administration generally and another kind of remedy in respect of decisions concerning entry of nationals of the member state concerned.

refused entry into his home state

The order for reference also stated that the latter remedy was also available to non-nationals regarding entry, with the excep-tion, however, of refusals of entry on the ground of the public good,

The reservations contained in articles 48 and 56 of the EC Treaty permitted member states to adopt, with respect to the nationals of grounds specified in those provisions, in particular grounds justified by the requirements of public policy, measures which they could not apply to their own nationals, in as much as they had no authority to expel the latter from the national territory or to deny them access

It followed that the remedies available to nationals of other member states in the circumstances defined by the directive could not be assessed by reference to the remedies available to nationals concerning the right of

The two situations were indeed in no way comparable: whereas in the case of nationals the right of entry was a consequence of the status of national, so that there could be no margin of discretion for the state in relation to the exercise of that right, the special circumstances which could justify reliance on the concept of public policy as against nationals of other member states could vary over time and from one country to another, and it was therefore necessary to allow the competent national authorities a margin of discretion.

The Court of Justice considered the further questions referred, and on the grounds stated by it ruled: I On a proper construction of article 8 of Directive 64/221, where under the national legislation of a member state remedies were available in respect of acts of the dministration generally and different remedies were available in respect of decisions concerning entry by nationals of that member state, the obligation imposed on the member state by that provision was satisfied if nationals of other member states enjoyed the same remedies as those avai against acts of the administration

generally in that member state. 2 On a proper construction of article 9 of the directive, the three cases mentioned in article 9(1) ly. "where there is no right of appeal to a court of law, or where such appeal may be only in respect of the legal validity of the decision, or where the appeal cannot have suspensory effect" applied equally as regarded article 9(2), that is to was a refusal to issue a first residence permit or a decision ordering expulsion adopted before the issue of such a nermit. L298 p23).

3 A national of a member state nst whom an initial decision refusing entry into another mem-ber state had been made on grounds of public order or public security had a right of appeal under article 8 of the directive and. if appropriate, a right to obtain the opinion of an independent competent authority in accordance with article 9 of the directive, with respect to a fresh decision taken by the administrative authorities on an application made by him after a reasonable time had elapsed since

> between Turner and Coditel Bra-bent SA, of which Mr Paul Denuit was the managing director, for the retransmission of the programmes, a Belgian minister, by decree of September 17, 1993, prohibited distribution of the prorammes on cable networks in the City of Brussels region.

hibition were, inter alia, that the programmes consisted essentially material produced outside the European Community and commercial advertising, that they television without frontiers direc-

# Retransmission of foreign television broadcasts

Criminal proceedings against Denuit Case C-14/96

Before G. F. Mancini, President of the Sixth Chamber and Judges J. . Murray, C. N. Kakouris, P. J. G. Kapteyn and H. Ragnemalm Advocate General C. O. Lenz

(Opinion February 6) [Judgment May 29]

A member state could not oppose the retransmission on its territory of broadcasts of a television broad caster over which another membe state had jurisdiction, where the ground of opposition was that the requirements in the Community television without frontiers directive as to the programming of European works.

The Sixth Chamber of the Court of Justice of the European Commu nities so held, inter alia, when answering questions referred to it by the Tribunal de Première ance (Court of First Instance), Brussels, for a preliminary ruling under article 177 of the EC Treaty on the interpretation of article 2 of Council Directive 89/552/EEC of October 3, 1989 on the co-ordin tion of certain provisions laid down by law, regulation or admin-istrative action in member states concerning the pursuit of television broadcasting activities (OJ 1989

Turner International Sales Ltd. established in London, obtained authorisation from the United Kingdom authorities under the deasting Act 1990 to trans a television programme TNT & Cartoon Network, via satellite.

The TNT & Cartoon Network programmes comprised a nondomestic satellite service within section 43(2) of the 1990 Act, and by section 45(2), conditions relating to the programming of European works were not applicable to such a service.

After the signing of a contract

tive and did not meet the requirements of articles 4 and 5, and that under United Kingdom law they would not be subject to the obligations provided for by the Directive

After various proceedings in Belgium the programmes were distributed in the City of Brussels region and Mr Denuit was charged with infringing the decree of September 17, 1993.

The Tribunal de Première Instance referred a number of questions on issues raised. Article 2 of the Directive pro-

vides: "(1) Each member state shall ensure that all television broadcasts transmitted by broadcasters under its jurisdiction, or by broadcasters who, while not being under the jurisdiction of any member make use of a frequency or a satellite capacity granted by, or a satellite up-link situated in, that member state, comply with the law applicable to broadcasts intended for the public in that member state

"(2) Member states shall ensure freedom of reception and shall not restrict retransmission on their territory of television proadcasts from other member states for reasons which fall within the fields co-ordinated by this directive..." Article 4 provides: "(I) Member

states shall ensure ... that broad-casters reserve for European works . . . a majority proportion of their transmission time. . . Article 5 provides: "Member

states shall ensure ... that broadcasters reserve at least 10 per cent ... at least 10 per cent of their programming budget, for European works created by producers who are independent of hrnadcasters...

In its judgment the Sixth Chantber of the European Court of Justice held:

The first question concerned the criteria for determining which broadcasters came under a member state's jurisdiction within article 2(1) of the directive.

For the reasons stated in Case C-222/94 Commission v United Kingdom (The Times September 30. 1996; [1996] ECR 1-4025), a broadcaster came under the jurisdiction of the member state in which it was established. It was apparent from the word-

ing of article 2(1) that the origin of programmes or their conformity with articles 4 and 5 had no bearing on the question of iurisdiction. The next question was whether

tween the surety and the debtor

was such that the former would be

reposing trust and confidence in

the latter in relation to the financial

another member state had jurisdiction if the broadcasts did not comply with articles 4 and 5. Under the system established by

casts of a broadcaster over which

the directive for allocating obligations between the member states from which broadcasts emanated and those which received them, it was solely for the state from which the application of the law of the originating member state applying to such broadcasts, and to ensure

compliance with the directive. The receiving member state was not authorised to exercise its own

control in that regard. That was what the court held in Case C-11/95 Commission v Belgium ([1996] ECR 1-4L55, para 34). and that interpretation was borne out by the preamble to the Directive.

It was only in the circumstances specified in the second sentence of article 2(2) that the receiving state could, exceptionally, suspend re-transmission of television broadcasts.

If a member state considered that another state had failed to fulfil its obligations under the Directive, it could bring infrin ment proceedings under article [70] Commission to take action under

It was settled case law that a member state could not unilaterally and on its own authority adopt corrective or protective measures designed to obviate any breach by another state of rules of Community law.

On those grounds the Court I Article 2(I) of Directive 89/582

was to be interpreted as meaning that a television broadcaster came under the jurisdiction of the member state in which it was The origin of programmes

broadcast by the television broadcaster or their conformity with articles 4 and 5 of the Directive were irrelevant in determining the member state having jurisdiction over such a broadcaster pursuant 2 Article 2(2) was to be interpreted

as meaning that a member state could not uppose the retransmission on its territory of broadcasts of a television broadcaster over which another member state had jurisdiction when those broadcasis did not conform with the requirements of articles 4 and 5

#### Tax losses to be linked to income earned in same state ascertained clearly and precisely.

Futura Participations SA and Another v Administration des Contributions Case C-250/95

Before G. C. Rodriguez iglesias, President and Judges J. C. Moitinho de Almeida, J. L. Murray, L. Sevón, P. J. G. Kapteyn C. Gulmann, D. A. O. Edward, J.-P. Puissochet, H. Ragnemalm, M. Wathelet and R. Schintgen Advocate General C. O. Lenz (Opinion November 5, 1996)

Dudgment May 15 Article 52 of the EC Treaty, on reedom of establishment, did not. in the case of a taxpayer firm or company which had a branch in a member state but was not resident there, preclude that state from making the carrying forward of losses incurred in previous years losses were economically related to the income earned in that state. provided that resident taxpayers

did not receive more favourable However, it did preclude the imposition of a condition that, in the year in which the losses were incurred, the taxpayer must have kept and held in that state accounts there which complied with nat-

ional rules. The Court of Justice of the European Communities so held, inter alla, on a reference for a preliminary ruling under article 177 of the Treaty by the Consell d'Etat du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg, in proceedings concerning the basis of assessment of the liability to revenue tax for the year 1986 of Singer, the Luxembourg branch of Putura, a company

Whose seat was in Parls. Under Luxembourg law, resident taxpayers could deduct from their net income losses carried vided that they had kept "proper accounts during the financial year in which the losses were incurred".

obliged to keep separate accounts relating to their Luxembourg activities. If they did not keep such accounts, they were allowed to determine the amount of their Luxembourg taxable income on an apportionment of

Non-resident taxpavers were not

their total income. Article 157(2) of the relevant law allowed non-resident taxpayers to deduct previous losses provided that they were economically re-lated to income received locally and that accounts were kept within

the country.

The rule applied was that such accounts had to comply with Luxembourg rules.

Since Futura did not have proper accounts for 1986, it determined its taxable income for that year on an apportionment of Futura's total income. It requested the set-off of losses incurred in 1981-1985, and, since it did not have proper accounts for that period elther, determined the amount of the losses also on an apportionment basis The sei-off was refused on the

ground that a non-resident taxpayer could only curry forward a loss if the conditions of article 157(2) were respected. In appeal proceedings the plaintiffs claimed that the refusal to take

account of the losses in question impaired the freedom of establish ment guaranteed to them by article 52 of the Treaty.

In its judgment the European Court of Justice held: The carrying forward of losses was subject to two conditions. The first concerned economic linkage, so that only losses arising from the non-resident's activities in

the state could be carried forward. resident taxpayers included all their Luxembourg activities In the case of non-residents, only their Luxembourg activities were

taken into account in calculating the tax payable by them there. Such a system, which was in conformity with the fiscal principle of territoriality, could not be regarded as entailing any discrimination, overt or covert.

The second condition concerned the keeping of accounts complying with the relevant national rules. Such a condition could constatute a restriction on the freedom of establishment of a company or firm which wished to establish a branch in a member state different

It meant in practice that if such a company or firm wished to carry losses incurred by the branch, it had to keen, in addition to its own accounts which must rules in the state where the seat was, separate accounts complying with the rules of the state where the branch was established. Those

accounts had to be held at the place of establishment of the branch. dition, specifically affecting companies or firms having their seat in prohibited by article 52.

It could only be otherwise if the measure pursued a legitimate aim compatible with the Treaty and was justified by pressing reasons of public interest, and even then it would have to be such as to ensure achievement of the aim and not go

The court had held that the effectiveness of fiscal supervision constituted an overriding require-ment of general interest justifying a restriction on the exercise of fundamental freedoms guaranteed

by the Treaty.

Member states could therefore apply measures enabling the amount of income and losses to be As Community law stood at present, the aims of the second condition, of ensuring that claimed losses corresponded to actual losses and enabling the Luxembourg tax authorities to inspect the accounts at any time, would not be attained if the authorities had to refer to accounts kept by the nonresident taxpayer pursuant to another member state's rules.

However, there remained the question whether the second condition went beyond what was necessary to enable the losses to be

Since non-residents were as a rule not obliged to keep proper accounts, the authorities had in principle foregone all possibility of inspecting their accounts.

It was only when the noncarry losses forward that he was obliged to show that he had kept and held in Luxembourg proper accounts for the period in question.

However, once such a request was made, the sole concern of the authorities was to ascertain clearly and precisely that the losses claimed corresponded to the losses

Consequently, provided that the taxoaver demonstrated, clearly and precisely, the amount of the losses, the authorities could not refuse them to be carried forward on the ground that proper accounts for the period had not been kept and held in Luxembourg.

was not essential that the means for demonstrating the losses be limited to those provided for by Luxembourg law. Under Council Directive 77/799/EEC of December 19, 1977

concerning mutual assistance by the competent authorities of the member states in the field of direct taxation (OJ 1977 L336 p15), the competent authorities of a state could always request the authorities of another state to provide them with information determining the tax which a tax-

payer must pay. However, the fact that a member state allowed a non-resident to substantiate the amount of his taxable income on the basis of an apportionment of his total income did not oblige it to accept a calculation of losses to be carried forward based on an apportionment of total losses, given that the apportionment method involved on maries

On those grounds, the European Court ruled: Article 52 of the EC Treaty did not preclude a member state from making the carrying forward of previous losses, requested by a taxpayer which had a branch in its territory but was not resident there, subject to the condition that the losses must be economically tampayer in that state, provided that resident taxpavers did not

On the other hand, that article did preclude the carrying forward of losses from being made subject to the condition that, in the year in which the losses were incurred, the taxpayer must have kept and held in that state accounts relating to his activities carried on there which complied with the relevant

The member state concerned

could, however, require the nonresident taxpayer to demonstrate clearly and precisely that the amount of the losses which he claimed to have incurred corresponded, under its domestic rules governing the calculation of income and losses which were applicable in the financial year concerned, to the amount of the s actually incurred in that state by the taxpaver.

#### Scots Law Report June 23 1997 Bank had constructive notice of misrepresentation

dwelling house, 4 Hillshoroug

pursuer; Mr Neil Davidson, OC the bank.

follow the policy reasons for clothing a creditor with constructive viedge of the risk of undu influence by a husband in the special circumstances of a cautionary obligation, his Lordship had the greatest difficulty in seeing why such constructive knowledge should extend to misrepresenta

ciples of Scots law alone his Lordship would have dismused the appeal. LORD CLYDE said that the pursuer sought reduction of a standard security which she and

her husband executed in favour of the bank, on the ground that she her personal assets were not at

The security was granted over

husband for the purposes of enabling him to obtain a loan for a business which he ran in partnership with another.

The case proceeded on the basis that the bank manager knew that the grant of the standard security was over a dwelling house which was the matrimonial home of the pursuer and her husband, that the grant was not to the financial advantage of the pursuer, that it was in security of the husband's business debts and that the pur-

interest in that business. The pursuer and her husband signed the security document at the office of the bank's solicitors but she was given no opportunity of perusing the document, was not given a copy of it and was not given nor advised to obtain any indepen-

the House in Barclays Bank v sceking to enforce a mortgage over the matrimonial home granted by a husband and wife. The transaction was not to the wife's advantage and carried with it a substantial risk of the husband wrong, such as which would entitle the wife to set the trans-

action aside. The House held that the mortgage was not enforceable against the wife who had signed the deed without reading it in reliance on her husband's misrepresentation

band and that the wife was entitled to have the legal charge set aside; cinie should apply not only to cases of husband and wife but to all cases where the creditor was aware that the relationship be-

affairs of the debtor. In O'Brien the House consciously sought to extend the English law. Should a corressuer had no involvement nor ponding extension be made to Scots law? It was not easy to identify any major distinction between the law

in England in this marter as it efore the O'Brien decision and the corresponding law of Scotland. But the general position Here, the pursuer sought to extend to Scotland the decision of It was accepted that the principles on caution in Scotland were

the same as those governing surety in England and that the general rules as to the duties of a cautioner were identical in both jurisdictions. It was also recognised that at least on a broad basis the policy considerations which lay behind the O'Brien decision were applicable north of the border. The only area in which issue was seriously joined was in relation to

the proposition put forward by the pursuer to the effect that the law in essence the same in each

The only substantial ground on

Smith, in favour of the defenders, the Bank of Scotland, over the bushand. It was required by the scotland, over the bushand. It was required by the representation made by the husa decision not to apply the O'Brier decision to Scotland related to the

law regarding undue influence. It had to be noticed that the nursuer based her case solely on a misrepresentation and confirmed that that was the sole basis and that she was not presenting a case based on undue influence.

The point of difference between the two jurisdictions which counsel for the bank sought to draw was tion of undue influence arising out of certain relationships while in

proved raise a prima facie in-ference that a gift has been acquired by abuse of a position of

an explanation..." There were no social or economic cunsiderations which would justify a difference in the law between the two jurisdictions in

Lord Goff, Lord Lloyd and Lord Hoffmann agreed with Lord

#### pursuer and her husband. Thomas Sheriff not liable for acting in excess of power

Act valid to implement directive Commission of the European fulfil its obligations under that ened the defence under article 7(e)

> · Kingdom -Case C-300/95 Section 4(1)(e) of the Consumer Protection Act 1987 did not clearly conflict with article 7(e) of the Community product liability directive, which it was intended to

> The Fifth Chamber of the Court of Justice of the European Communities so held on May 29 when dismissing an action brought by the Commission under article 169 of the EC Treaty for a declaration that, by failing to take all the measures necessary to implement Council Directive 85/374/EEC of July 25, 1985 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the member states concerning liability for defective products (OJ 1985

Communities v United directive and the Treaty.

Article 7 provides: The pro-

Section 4(1) of the 1987 Act provides: "In any civil proceedings against any person ... in respect of a defect in a product it

ducer shall not be liable as a result of this directive if he proves: ... (e) that the state of scientific and technical knowledge at the time when he put the product into circulation was not such as to enable the existence of the defect to be discovered..."

shall be a defence for him to show ... (e) that the state of scientific and technical knowledge at the relevant time was not such that a producer of products of the same description as the product in question might be expected to have discovered the defect if it had existed in his products while they

The Court said that the Com-

mission argued that the United

Kingdom legislature had broad-

to a considerable degree and converted the strict liability imposed by article I of the directive into mere liability for negligence. The United Kingdom did not challenge the Commission's interpretation of article 7(e) as setting

tion 4(1)(e) set out the same test as article 7(e). The Court, after considering, inter alia, the scope of the directive and the wording of the relevant provisions, concluded that the Commission had failed to make out its allegation that, having regard to its legal context and especially section I(I) of the Act.

the purpose of making such pro-

vision as is necessary to comply with the product liability directive

and shall be construed accord-

ingly." section 4(1)(e) clearly con-

flicted with article 7(e).

tive test, but considered that sec-

held, dismissing an action of damages brought by Mr Richard Russell against Mr Robert Dickson. WS. Mr Peter Ferguson for the pursuer: Mr Robert McCreadie for the defender.

> careless driving, driving with ex-cess alcohol and failing to stop after an accident The defender, instead proceeding to sentence, had adjourned the cause and remanded the pursuer in custody in order that inquiries could be made about the whole conduct of the case. As a result the pursuer had spent five

days in Barlinnie Prison.

In delivering their opinion upon

a bill of suspension brought by the pursuer the Criminal Appeal

Court had described the defender's

behaviour as having been in excess

of his common law power to tion as unreasonable and the proceedings thereafter as incompetent. It was a somewhat ironic loot-

note to those events that the result

and that the pursuer believed there

to be no other reason for that than

ably ordering an accused man to of the defender's conduct had been be detained in a procedure that that the pursuer's pleas of guilty had been quashed so that he had had been held on appeal to be avoided conviction on his own Mr T. G. Coutts, QC, sitting as a nless of guilty. temporary judge in the Outer House of the Court of Session, so In seeking damages the pursuer averred that at the trial the defender had been in a foul temper

> vindictiveness towards the pursuer's solicitor. He averred that the defender had on a previous occasion demonstrated malice towards the solicitor. His counsel had argued that the sheriff's conduct could not he described as a judicial act entitling him to absolute protection. Where there was excess of jurisdiction, malice assisted to show that the sheriff had forfeited

> Parties were agreed that a sheriff sitting as a judge in a court of summary jurisdiction was a Queen's judge entitled to all the immunities attaching to such a judge including absolute privilege in respect of statements made in

his judicial protection.

The matter of judicial immunity was one of public policy and rested, so far as the Queen's judges were concerned, upon the common Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995 in respect of judges of summary jurisdiction other than sheriffs.

Stair Institutes IV.1.5 discussing the statute 1424, cap 45 (APS II, 8

be a judge." Between Bell's own fourth edition of his Principles in 1839 and Guthrie's tenth edition in 1899 the statement of the law changed to one of absolute immunity, reflecting a change in the attitude of the

buffoonery, as in these answers, It is painful to think that the Bar of

capable of writing such a paper." However, the speech of Lord Gifford in the House of Lords indicated a far reaching immunity applying to all judges. The rule of absolute immunity was applied by Lord President Inglis in Harvey v

Scotland has furnished a man

Dyce ((1876) 4 R 265) adopting the judgment of Lord Chief Baron Kelly in Scott v Stansfield ((1868) LR 3 Exch 220); see also Primrose v mation [ppl36-l37]; Fraser Constitutional Law and Mitchell Constitutional Law. Allardice v Robertson ((1830) 4

W & S 102) could be distinguished as dealing with a justice of the peace: see Williamson v Umphray

review of those authorities that the to be dismissed. There could be no doubt that what the defender had done was an act done in his judicial capacity. That it had been but whether in the fuller sense it had been ultra vires had to be open

The pursuer had been on trial for a bailable offence. There had therefore been statutory authority

It had to be concluded that the sheriff's conduct was a judicial act albeit an unwarranted excess of jurisdiction. The averments of malice were not relevant.

No doubt the sheriff could lose

his immunity in certain situations. even in certain situations which might arise in the course of his sitting on the bench. Where, as here, he had been dealing with a complaint and with the accused person who had been

before him, it could not be said that he had not been acting as a judge. There was much to be said for the proposal of giving a court or tribunal a discretionary power to award compensation to an accused person who suffered an unlawful entence of imprisonment whether the court had acted within or without jurisdiction which had

been made by Lord Templeman in

In re McC. Whether the time was rice for reconsideration of the absolute immunity of a judge however unreasonably he might be acting while on the bench was not for the temporary judge to decide. it did, however, seem in-

equitable by today's standards that a man could spend five days in prison unreasonably and improperly without compensation from some quarter being awarded to

Law agents: Henderson Boyd Jackson, WS: Solicitor to the Secretary of State for Scotland.

1 7 • L2(0 p29), in particular article 7(e). y the United Kingdom had failed to

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were under his control."

out an objective and not a subjec-

which provided: This Part shall have effect for

Smith v Bank of Scotland Before Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle, Lord Lloyd of Berwick, Lord Hoffmann and Lord Clyde (Speeches June 12) Where the pursuer's husband had

induced her by misrepresentations to grant a security for his business debts and the lender bank had not taken reasonable steps (a) to warn the pursuer of the risk she was running and (b) to invite her to obtain independent legal advice, the bank was to be regarded as having constructive notice of the husband's misrepresentations.

The principle in Barciays Bank

plc v O'Brien (The Times October

22. 1993; [1994] I AC 180) should be extended to Scotland since the principles on caution in Scotland were the same as those governing surety in England and the genera rules as to the duties of a cautioner identical in both incisdictions. The House of Lords so stated by a majority (Lord Jauncey doubting) in allowing an appeal by the pursuer, Kathleen Smith, from the interlocutor of June 2, 1995 of the

and Lord Abernethy) (sub nom Mumford v Bank of Scotland) (The Times September 29, 1995) refusing the pursuer's motion for Lord Ordinary, Lord Johnstor A summons by the pursuer for

reduction of a standard security

llumeil v Dickson

Judgment May 14

Before Mr T. G. Coutts, QC

A sheriff acting as a judge of

summary jurisdiction was not

liable in damages for unreason-

HIS LORDSHIP said that the

pursuer had appeared for trial

before the defender, who was a

sheriff, and had pleaded guilty to

First Division of the Court of

Session in Scotland (the Lord

President (Lord Hope). Lord Weir

Road, Garrowhili, Glasgow, had been dismissed by the Lord Ordinary. Mrs Leeona J. Dorrian. QC and Mr Simon R. DiRollo for the

and Mr Calum H. S. MacNeill for LORD JAUNCEY, doubting, aid that while his Lordship could

suggestion in the law of Scotland that any particular class of persons relation to a contract than any other class. Applying the prin-

result of misrepresentations by her husband to the effect that she was required to sign as his wife in order for him to receive a loan and that

At one time there had been a possible liability for malicious

conduct.

cap 24) said: "By this statute of King James 1 there is recourse to the king, not for altering the sentences of the judges ordinary for the punishing of them if they had not administrate justice without fraud or guile; which can go no further than manifest and palpuble injustice against law, which doth always infer fraud by wilful injustice, but reacheth not to dubious cases, where just and rational men may be of different iudements, unless there he corruption by bribe, or bias: otherwise no man but a beggar, or a fool, would

In Haggart's Trs v Lord President Hope ((1824) 2 Sh App 125) the Lord President had said in open court: "I have never seen such low

Waterston ((1902) 4 F 781): McCreadie v Thomson (1907 SC 1176); In re McC ([1985] AC 528); Stair Memorial Encyclopaedia (vol 15, para 518); Glegg Repara-

& Robertson ((1890) 17 R 905). There was no doubt upon a ection was irrelevant and required rrong had been judicially stated

for his being detained in a prison.

recognised rebuttable presump

Scotland there was no such presumption. But in Honeyman's Executors v Sharp (1978 SC 223, 230), Lord Maxwell, without defining the limits of the kinds of cases to which the principle of undue influence might arise, recognised: "... there must be cases where the facts as

trust and which at least cry out for

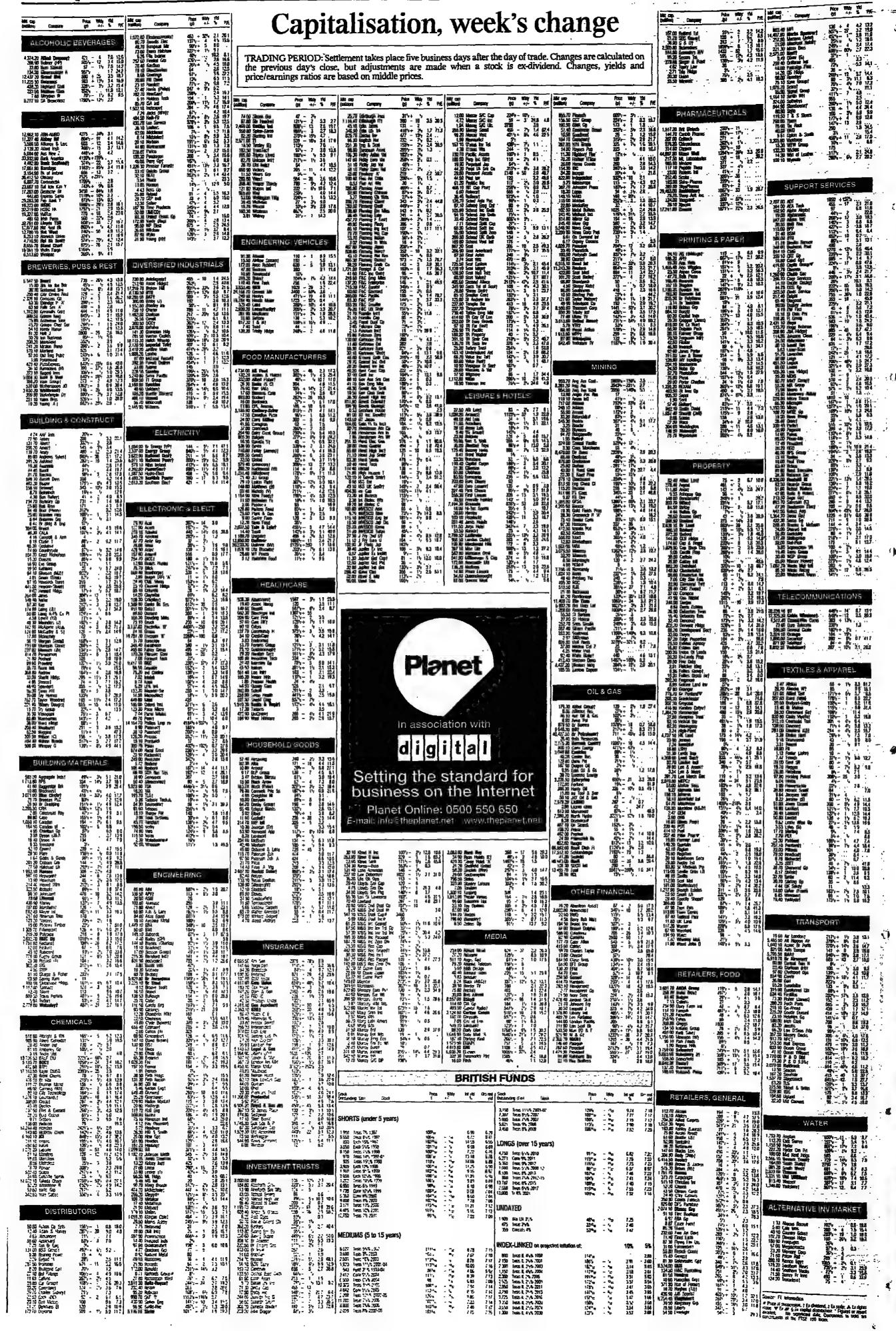
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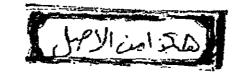
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RESULTS AND STATISTICS

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TOMORROW

Interims: First Leisure Corp. Finals: Alba, Chloride, Clay-hithe, East Surrey Holdings, ElH, Evans of Leeds, Haima, Hampson Industries, Hewet-son, Indian Hotels, Majestic Wines, Philips Electronics (in), Photobition Group, Vendome Luxury Group. Economic statistics: US June conference board consumer confidence index.

WEDNESDAY

Interims: ML Laboratories.
Finals: DBS Management,
Greene King, Hogg Robinson,
Lambert Fenchurch Insurance,
London Insurance Market, Murray Smaller Markets, John Tame
Group, TGL Vocalis, Wassey Group, TGI, Vocalis, Wessex Whar. Economic statistics: Un-ted Kingdom April global, May non-EU trade, UK May harmon-land C?!.

THURSDAY

Finals: WS Atkins, Asda Group, Berkeley Group, BPB, Christie Group, Debenham Tewson, Great Universal Stores, Kalamazoo Computer Group, Kewill Sys-tems, Murray Split Capital, Reg-alian Properties, Syltone, Xavier, Economic statistics: US June conference board halp-wanted

Finals: Cale Inns, Ivory & Sime, Meconic, Neepsend, Scudder Latin American Investment Trust. Economic statistics: UK BBA end-May monthly mortgage lending, UK Q1 balance of pay-ments, UK Q1 finel GDP.



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MICHAEL CLARK

# GUS may have a surprise in store

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STORES: The decision of the group to bring forward its fullyear announcement by several weeks to this Thursday has fuelled speculation that the company may be planning to reward shareholders. Talk is of a possible special dividend or share buyback.

The market will no doubt also be paying close attention to the figures, which are expected to show a downturn in pre-tax profits of around 3 per cent, from £560.6 million to £546 million. Earnings per share are down

from 36.9p to 35.8p.
The figures will include a firsttime contribution from Experian, Great Universal's recent US acquisition, and also reflect the slowdown in sales at its domestic mail order division. The £1.04 billion acquisition of Experian will have made a serious dent in the group's cash mountain, which at the end of 1996 stood at El.19 billion.

According to NatWest Securi-ties, the broker, any further cash outflows will be offset by the injection arising from the British Land joint property venture, which included an initial

downpayment of £200 million. Brokers will no doubt tax Lord Wolfson, chairman, on his plans, including the repositioning of the group's mail order business. Next month they are due to pay a visit to Experian's operation in Nottingham. Shareholders can expect a payout of 18.2p, an increase of 10 per cent on the previous year.

ASDA: Full-year figures on Thursday will be swollen by exceptional profits of £80 million relating to the sale of Asda's stake in Allied Carpets.

The estimate of profits at the pre-tax level range from £335 million to £350 million. That compares with £304.6 million last time, an increase of 12 per cent. Earnings are expected to grow by around 11 per cent, from 7.6p to 8.4p, Brokers will no doubt want to address the problems of a deceleration in like-for-like sales and a levelling off in margins.

The group, headed by Archie Norman, chairman, and Allan Leighton, chief executive. is continuing to press ahead with its new store opening programme. A further six are expected this year at a cost of



Slower sales and tighter margins concern Archie Norman and Allan Leighton of Asda

E120 million. But brokers say there is little likelihood of the group achieving the gross margins seen at Tesco, its rival. The payout is expected to grow by almost 10 per cent to 3p.

FIRST LEISURE: Michael Grade, the new non-executive chairman, and his plans for the future are likely to take centre stage when the group takes a bow with interim figures tomorrow.

Just as well, really, seeing as this is likely to be a fairly mundane performance, with pre-tax profits at £16.5 million and earnings stagnant at 16.5p. The second half should provide the better performance, with analysts having already pencilled in a

final figure of \$44 million. The trading statement released in May underlined the problems faced by the bingo division and the subsequent departure of Nick Tamblyn, the man in charge. Brokers will want to know what future role the business is likely

The payout is expected to grow 10 per cent from 2.5p to 2.75p.

HARVEY NICHOLS: Shareholders will be hoping for something to cheer about when the group reports full-year figures on Monday.

It has been a miserable year, with the shares underperforming the market by 25 per cent. But sales at its Leeds store have been exceeding expectations and its new up-market Oxo Tower restaurant on the south bank by the Thames has been doing a roaring growth will, naturally enough,

trade. HSBC James Capel, the company's own broker, is looking for pre-tax profits of £128 million against £9.2 million last time.

WESSEX WATER: The group rounds off the reporting season for the water utilities, with fullyear figures on Wednesday. Brokers are anticipating a solid

performance, despite its abortive bid last year for South West Water, with pre-tax profits set to grow from £134 million to between £145 million and £152 million. At the top end of the range, that would be an increase of 14 per cent. At the halfway stage the group recorded an increase of 11 per cent to £67.3 million.

The main thrust to profits

business. But as the group

chooses not to reveal exceptional

items, the cost of the bid for South

West is unlikely to be disclosed. In

January the group began a new

cost-cutting programme, but it is

unlikely that any benefit from

that exercise will be reflected in

Elsewhere, UK Waste, in

which Wessex has a 50 per cent

stake, continues to mark time,

while the landfill operation

should chip in with a contribu-

Once again shareholders can

look forward to a lucrative

payout of 17.4p, an increase of 15

**BPB INDUSTRIES:** Full-year

figures out on Thursday are

likely to reveal the damage that a

strong pound can have on profits.

At the pre-tax level they are expected to fall 9 per cent, from £177.3 million to £161 million,

with earnings a share down from

22.6p to 20.1p, a fall of 11 per cent.

nounced that the impact of the

pound in the second half is likely

That, combined with problems

in the boiler division, has

knocked £20 million off earlier

estimates with brokers now look-

ing for a final outcome of £161

million against £177.3 million last

time. Earnings will be down 11

per cent at 20.1p.
On a trading level, the group should have lived up to expecta-

tions. Plasterboard volumes rose

7 per cent in the first six months

and have been maintained since.

although the gains in Europe

have been less spectacular. Despite the setback for profits, the payout should be lifted from 9.7p

LAMBERT FENCHURCH

GROUP: Brokers will have a

chance to discover how well the

integration of Fenchurch Insur-

ance and Lowndes Lambert have

gone when the group reports full-

gone well, although this is unlikely to be reflected in the figures

with pre-tax profits set to fall

from £14 million to just £300,000.

The current year should reflect the benefits of the acquisitions.

with brokers already forecasting

£25 million. The dividend pay-

ment this time round will be

Early indications suggest it has

year figures on Wednesday.

to be £17 million.

The company has already an-

these figures.

tion of £13 million.

**Budget holds** centre stage

**ECONOMIC OUTLOOK** 

he outcome of the weekend's G7 summit in Denver, Colorado, is L likely to cause some aftershocks in the money markets this week, with the usual half-hearted expressions of concern over the US-Japan trade deficit unlikely to stop the yen from climbing higher.

There is little hard economic data in the UK this week to provide further clues to the interest rate outlook so Budget speculation will dominate trading. The stock market is expected to continue to struggle because of fears of corporate tax rises, while sterling should move higher. The Treasury's auction of 7.25 per cent gilts 2007 on Wednesday will generate some extra interest.

The latest trade deficit figures are published on Wednesday with economists still looking for the first real signs that the strong pound is beginning to hurt exports. MMS International, the economics consultancy group, forecasts that the global trade deficit will widen slightly to £690 million in April from £671 million in March. The non-EU deficit is also expected to increase from £335 million in April to £550 million in May.

The revised first-quarter GDP figures, which are due to be published on Friday. are unlikely to cause much of a stir with economists predicting that the data will be left unchanged showing quarterly GDP growth of 0.9 per cent, and an annual rate of growth of 3 per cent.

In the US, weaker than expected data last week eased fears of a further interest rate tightening. But today's durable goods orders, and consumer confidence measures to be published tomorrow, could signal that the slowdown in consumer activity in the second quarter may not last into the autumn.

Budget wrangling will be the main focus in Germany as the Government tries desperately to agree on measures to help reduce its borrowing requirement. But economists believe that beyond a few small privatisations, the German Government will struggle to find suitable savings and will be unable to plug the Budget gap sufficiently to meet the Maastricht 3 per cent deficit criteria.

ALASDAIR MURRAY

#### SUNDAY TIPS

The Sunday Times: Buy Firth Rixson. Scapa, Harvey Nichols, First Choice. Wimpey. Hold Asda. The Sunday Telegraph: Buy Abbott Mead, Barrasford, Hercules, Friendly Hotels, Hold Midland Independent Newspapers. Sell Psion. The Mail on Sunday: Buy Tinsley Robor, Stoves. Avoid Petra Diamonds. The Express on Sunday: Buy Chemring, Jardine Lloyd Thompson.

#### WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 40 HEISENBERG

**PERELINE** 

(b) The name of Werner Heisenberg (b. 1901), the German physicist on a par with Einstein and Rutherford. His name is used as an eponym with reference to his matrix theory of quantum mechanics, and to the uncertainty principle deduced by him in 1927. "Heisenberg's Principle of Indeterminacy lays it down that an electron may have a determinate position or a determinate velocity, but not both."

(a) A person's face. In French, literally the muzzle or snout of an animal. "She, with her odd little museau, not exactly pretty, but

(c) A syle of close-fitting casual trousers, widely flared from the knees to the ankles. From to loon, especially of young people, to spend one's leisure time in a pleasurable way, eg by dancing to popular music. To lie about or wander about. "I wriggled into a pair of brown velvet loons, dropped a cream lace tunic over

(a) A bribe, an Illegal exaction. In Mexico and adjacent parts. From the Central American, cf. the English "to put the bite on".
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#### Bank 'back office' set for scrapheap

By MARTIN WALLER

THE electronic revolution in banking will mean the end of the "back office" and the loss of thousands of jobs, according to a report from Ernst & Young, the accountant.

However, the need to maintain a relationship with customers should ensure the survival of the high street branch.

A global survey by the accountant's management consultancy side has found that the banking sector is on the point of launching so-called "one-touch" 24-hour home or telephone banking services, using the sort of

computer technologies that have created the internet.

The result will be that in the banking world of the future, organisations will be rare that offer a high-quality general service at a low cost that customers are used to now. Andrew Barstow, partner in charge of the technology and banking consultancy, said a basic, cheap service would still be available, but the survey suggested that the more complicated "relationship banking" of the future would be

This would be conducted through the existing branch network, and back office staff would either be retrained or lose their jobs. "One-touch" processing has a single person, whether a customer or a bank employee, completing a transaction electronically without further human

This will improve services for customers, but will mark the end of the traditional back office as the need for physical storage, retrieval and distribution of information gradually

intervention.

CHANGE ON WEEK

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# CWC escalates phone tariff war

CABLE AND Wireless Communications, the group formed by the merger of four cable-TV companies, launched an aggressive telecommunications price war yesterday aimed at taking business customers from BT.

A new tariff — undercutting BT by between 39 per cent and 48 per cent - is now available in the areas covered by the four cable groups - Nynex, Bell Cablemedia, Mercury and Videotron. CWC's lowest daytime rate will be 1.8p per minute for local calls - 46 per cent below BT's. The national rate undercuts BT by 39 per cent and a five-minute call to the US will by 48 per cent cheaper. CWC is also offering lower line rental charges and connection fees.

The news comes as it emerged that Mirror Group's efforts to form a venture with Flextech to provide programming packages to CWC seem to have fizzled out. CWC said that it is in talks to buy content from Flextech but sees little role for the Mirror.

Graham Wallace, chief ex-ecutive of CWC, confirmed that David Montgomery, chief executive of the Mirror, has promoted the idea of forming a venture with Flextech that

would supply programming and services to CWC. "He pursued the idea quite vigorously, but I don't see what the Mirror can bring to the table other than cross-promotion with the Daily Mirror paper." Mr Wallace said. "I think the whole Mirror thing has died a quiet death."

Flextech, the second-largest supplier of subscription TV channels after BSkyB, already supplies a dozen basic channels to the cable companies and has formed a joint venture family of BBC-branded channels. CWC wants to broadcast the Flextech-BBC channels and is in talks to determine how they would be branded.

Mirror was revealed last week as the Midland Independent Newspapers suitor, publisher of the Birmingham Mail and Coventry Evening Telegraph and regional part-ner for Mirror's LiveTV cable service. The City expects a MIN bid to exceed £200 million. pushing Mirror's debts above £300 million.

The poor recent performance of Mirror's share price means that it is unlikely to use its shares to finance the deal. Mr Montgomery believes he can save £10 million a year

TENNIS

Reports from

the first day at

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Graham Wallace, chief executive of CWC: "I think the whole Mirror joint venture thing has died a quiet death."

from MIN's costs, largely achieved through joint pur-chasing of newsprint while job cuts are expected to be limited. In a separate development, Mr Wallace said that he hoped to strike a digital pay-per-view

film deal by the autumn. CWC will either negotiate pay-per-views rights with the six leading Hollywood studios on its own or use the service to be offered by BSkyB, which is 40 per cent owned by News International, owner of The Times. The advantage of going with BSkyB, he said, is avoiding "competing and conflicting services\*. He emphasised that no decision had been made. CWC wants to choose its

ARTS

Richard Cork at

Dokumenta, the world's

biggest comtemporary

artshow.

pay-per-view supplier soon because it is considering launching digital TV services in its Manchester and Southampton franchises in the autumn. A national rollout would follow in the spring.

### Social chapter in the firing line as Britain becomes more competitive

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent

LONG working hours, short holidays and low employ- than 50 hours. ment costs are pushing Brit-ain up the European

competitiveness league. After questioning more than 8,000 small and medium-sized businesses in Europe, 3i, the investment capital group, found that Brit-ish employees work the long-est hours in Europe. German workers put in the least hours, and additional employment costs were the lowest in the UK and the highest in

The findings will fuel criti-cism of the Government's plans for employment legisla-tion through the social chapter and a national minimum

wage. Critics will argue that flexibility has produced competitiveness.

Adam Quarry, marketing director of 3i, said: "It remains to be seen if the introduction of the social chapter and minimum wage legislation in Britain will impact signifi-cantly on the ability of British firms to maintain their com-

petitive edge."

The survey found that 31 per cent of Europe's work-force worked more than 40 bours and that no continental European workers reported working more than 50 hours. In Britain, 47 per cent of employees worked more than

The figures are far higher for managers, with 85 per cent working 40 hours or more. European law demands a maximum working week of

For holidays, the European average is 26 to 30 days. Some 94 per cent of German workers have more than 26 days a year and none have under 20 days. In Britain only 22 per cent of employees have more than 26 days, while 40 per cent have less than 20 days.

Low employment costs — such as social security, taxes and pensions — also boost the feeling of competitiveness for smaller companies. The survey found that half of the British businesses thought they were competitive, com-pared with only 4 per cent of German companies.

But on the social chapter UK companies were largely ambivalent, with 40 per cent

believing it to be relevant and
40 per cent thinking it is not.
Mr Quarry said: "Whilst
many continental European
firms fear they are uncompetitive. British firms believe they are competitive. Whilst lower labour costs help to achieve this, it would appear that longer working hours and shorter holidays also play

#### Industry 'in control over pay'

By Alasdair Murray

PAY awards in industry remain under control, according to the Confederation of British Industry. Its survey published today found that pay awards in manufacturing for the three months to April

30 averaged 3.3 per cent. This was slightly up on the 3.2 per cent average for the three months to March 31. The average settlement rate was 3.5 per cent in the same period last year. In the service sector, average pay awards were 3.5 per cent compared with 3.6 per cent for the three

months to March 31. The figures are in line with official data, which shows overali average carmings, in cluding extra hours worked, rising at a steady rate of 4.5 per cent. A total of 37 per cent of manufacturers said inability to raise prices is keeping the lid on pay deals, while 18 per cent said the low cost of living was limiting awards.

#### Sainsbury store adds a surgery

By LIZANNE ROSE

J SAINSBURY - after expanding into banking and garden centres - is now to diversify from being a supermarket by opening its first walk-in medical centre.

The surgery, to be built be-side Sainsbury's largest Sheffield branch, will accommodate four doctors. The supermarket chain was the first to accept a proposal by Sinclair Montrose Healthcare, which had approached more than 100 big retailers.

Sinclair Montrose will rent the land from Sainsbury on a ten-year lease. Although planning consent has yet to be given, it is expected that the Medicentre will open in October. Other Sainsbury sites are being considered for clinics.

Sinclair Montrose has a similar clinic at Victoria Station, in central London, and will open its second, at Euston Station, in three weeks' time. Consultations cost £32.

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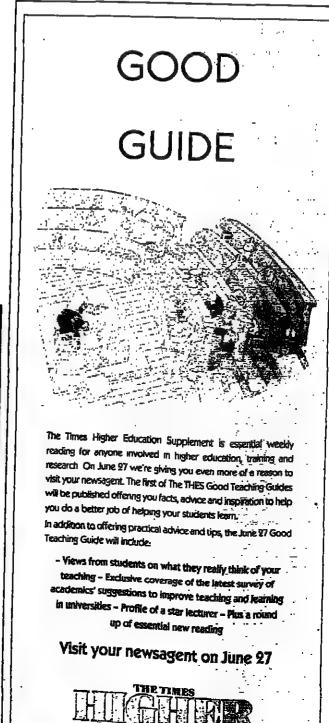
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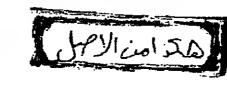
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### CRICKET

A look back at the second test in the Ashes series.

CHANGING TIMES





cial chapter of the firing line of the competition.

hy is the French economy doing so well? No, this is not a joke, even though nearly every Frenchman would think it so - without laughing. From the typical British account of the state of France - which emphasises the bloated public sector, the huge level of unemployment, the excessive regulation you would think that the economy was near collapse and the French people close to penury. Should we

be sending food parcels? Yet look at the official statistics on GDP and you see a different story. France is the world's fourthbiggest economy. Its GDP per head is significantly higher than Britain's. Despite the problems of the last few years, the economy has continued to grow. In this apparently bad year it looks likely to expand by about 2 per cent, close to the average rate that Britain has sustained over the post-war period. Moreover, despite its supposed uncompetitiveness. France recorded a significant balance of

# French lessons for the British economy

are the figures a statistical mirage. For most French people, the standard of living, and the wider quality of life, remain very high.

True, at nearly 13 per cent, unemployment is much higher than in Britain. That is a serious blot. But far from resolving the paradox, this heightens it. If France were able to employ these people gainfully then GDP per

head would be even higher. Just think of it. France chooses the wrong policies and Britain the right ones. Yet France is still richer than Britain. Imagine where we would be if we ran our economy like theirs. Or imagine where they would be if they ran theirs like

So why is this? I can think of three possible answers. First, France is naturally a rich country

payments surplus last year. Nor - in the way that South Africa is, and Chad is not. History and geography have been kind to her, giving a lot of usable land and providing a strong base in agriculture and tourism. When a country is naturally rich in this way, it can afford to manage its affairs badly, and it will still be able to live well.

There is undoubtedly something in this but it strikes me as an explanation for the past and not for the service-based economies of today. After all, the modern world is full of countries that are not well endowed by nature yet have done extremely well. Japan is the obvious example. Equally, as the old Soviet Union showed, it is easy to squander great natural riches.

The second answer is that the statistics are misleading. In France the state dominates. It is heavily involved in all sorts of economic



ROGER BOOTLE

activity from car manufacture to financial services. Vast swathes of economic activity are explicitly or implicitly subsidised, and the system gives strong preference for domestically produced goods. For instance, just try buying Italian, let alone Australian, wine there. The result is to enable France to sustain a higher real exchange rate than isn't. So I conclude that France is a she would otherwise be able to, thereby boosting her apparent real income compared with other

countries. What this amounts to is the idea that if the French economy were run fully on market principles and if all prices were set at true free market levels then French GDP would be lower. If you like, this is a less serious version of the problem that dogged economic assessment of the old Soviet Union where the GDP figures might show output continuing to climb, but much of this consisted of useless steel lying beside Siberian railway lines.

This answer might be more persuasive for France if there were any evidence of unwanted or bad quality goods there, but aside from the mountains of agricultural produce piled up under the CAP, there

(mostly) genuine success story.

Yet it is still not one we should try to emulate. It is not that the French have not done well with their policies, which seem ultimately impoverishing to anyone brought up on Anglo-Saxon economics. Regulation, high taxation, covert protection, state ownership, state orchestration of the economy, may have worked well in the 1950s and 1960s, and the strengths built up then have continued to serve France pretty well. But they hardly look like the policies to help a country succeed in the next century. Indeed, worse than that, like a previously successful chain letter, they have reached the limits of

sustainability. In fact, the French case is not so extraordinary. The amazing thing about the Soviet economy was not

that it collapsed when it did but rather that it managed to perform so well for so long. It is not so very long ago that the CIA was seriously worried that the Soviet economy was set to overtake the American.

In different ways, Japan and Sweden also fall into this category - gravity-defying economic suc-cess for a long time, then crisis and shocking adjustment. The lesson seems to be — and this is my third answer - that it is possible for all sorts of different, even bizarre, economic systems to function well for a time. But eventually the

music stops. France now seems to be on the last waltz - and the people sense it. That is why they are so gloomy. What she has before her, with or without the euro, is a drawn-out and painful period of structural adjustment of the sort that Britain underwent in the 1980s. That is why the French position is not to be envied, still less copied whatever the current GDP statis-

# Collapse in JCI shares hits Lonrho merger plan

By JASON NISSE

LONRHO'S proposed £2 billion merger with JCI, the South African mining group, is being threatened by a collapse in JCI's share price on the Johannesburg stock exchange.

Shareholders are hoping for an update on the talks today. when Lonrho reveals its halfyear figures. But Nick Morrell, Lonrho's chief executive, is expected to say there is nothing

Behind-the-scenes talks betwen Mr Morrell and Mzi Khumalo, the JCI chairman who was imprisoned on Robben Island with Nelson Mandela, have been overshadowed by a 27 per cent fall in JCI's shares since the talks started, cutting more than £250



million from the value of JCI. At the same time Lonrho has benefited from a strong platinum market. This will not be

seen in Lonrho's half-year figures, which are expected to show a fall of a third in the group's profits. The real effec will be in the second half. The deal JCi had hoped to strike would have involved Lonrho buying the South African group and funding the deal by selling its holding in Ashanti, the Ghanaian mining group, to Anglo American,

which owns 27 per cent of Lonrho's shares and is a backer of JCI. The deal has been opposed by Tiny Rowlands, the former chief executive of Lonrho who is also a director of Ashanti, who is lobbying the Ghanaian goverroment and the European Commission to block the sale. Mr Morrell is also likely to disappoint shareholders eager to hear news of Prince al-Waleed bin Talal's proposed

purchase of the Princess hotel chain. Though Lonrho has never revealed the intended purchaser, the cat was let out of the bag by the Department of Trade and Industry, which announced it was not referring the purchase of the hotels by Kingdom Holdings - the Prince's company — to the Monopolies and Mergers

#### Millennium go-ahead gives boost to builders

By Christine Buckley and Neelam Verjee

THE decision by Tony Blair to go ahead with the Millennium Dome project has secured £150 million of construction work for the builders Alfred McAlpine and John Laing.

It will also boost the pros-pects of London Merchant Securities' £80 million cruise liner terminal plan for Deptford Creek near the Millennium site. With two partners, it is to build a huge leisure complex, including a casino. hotel and multiplex cinems. Companies that have

pledged support for the dome Aerospace, BT and several banks. Millenium Central is in talks with other businesses to drum up extra cash for the project, which has a £200 million in cash injection from the lottery.

BG sold the Greenwich site to English Parmerships, the regeneration agency, for £20 million two years ago. English Partnerships has leased the site to Millennium Central until the end of 2001.

# Vaughan plans sixth AIM venture

By Fraser Nelson

OLIVER VAUGHAN, the former nightclub owner who built up Juliana's disco chain in the 1980s, plans to float his sixth company on the Alterna-

tive Investment Market. Mr Vaughan, who pocketed £30 million when he sold his his nightclub network to Wembley, has raised £2 million to launch Grosmont Holdings a cash shell which will take

stakes in small companies. Joining next week, it will become the 300th company to list on the junior exchange and will be valued at £2.5 million. Mr Vaughan retains 5 per cent

of the shares and 25 per cent of the warrants, which will be worth £225,000.

He is entering the venture without his brother, Tom, with whom he built the Juliana's empire. The pair turned to property development three years ago and have made an estimated £50 million from backing AIM companies.

Their first creation was Mountcashel, founded from the ashes of Explaure, a quarry in Newfoundland which fell into receivership with shares at 4p apiece. The Vaughans raised £4 million

for its resurrection by issuing 2 billion shares at 0.2p apiece. The shares now trade at 95p. Last year the brothers masterminded the merger between Ballynatary and Capital & Western, two property groups which eventually be-

came Internet Technology. Oliver Vaughan also has large stakes in Card Clear, Gander and Barrassford. The Grosmont placing has bypassed institutions, with

shares heavily subscribed by Mr Vaughan's fan club of private financiers. Shares begin trading on Thursday.



Vaughan: discos chief

#### St James to build hotel in Grenada

ST JAMES Beach Hotels, the Caribbean operator, is set to announce its first venture outside Barbados (Martin Barrow writes).

The company, whose shares are listed in London, is to invest \$25 million in the construction of a 200-room hotel on Grenada's Grand Anse Beach. The hotel is due to open in December 1998. St James Beach has also agreed to buy an adjacent site with an existing conference centre that is to be redeveloped.

The St James development is expected to generate a significant increase in Grenada's foreign exchange earn-ings and increase the airlift to the island. St James was floated in London in 1994. It currently owns and operates ionr horels in Barbados.

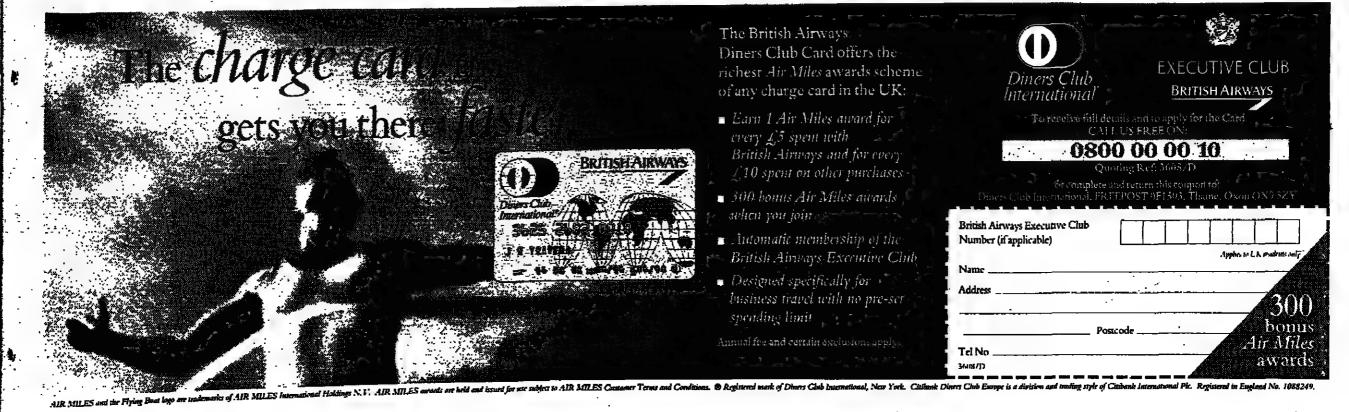
Lingerie group gets £1.8m help

UNITY BRANDS, which makes the upmarket Fantasie and Rigby & Peller lingerie ranges, has received a £1.8 million capital injection from BancBoston Capital, the private equity firm (Lizanne Rose

Unity owns two operating companies, Stirling Brands of New York and Eveden of Northamptonshire. It creased turnover from £5 million in 1993 to a forecast £9.5 million for the current year. Unity Brands was founded in 1920 and sold to a management buyout team in 1993, funded by NatWest Ventures and Nat-West Acquisition Finance.

Tony Thwaites, managing director of Unity Brands, said: "We feel that there is enormous potential for further growth. particularly on the Continent,"

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meets an EU enforcer who relishes the

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he next time they have a big idea, the Roberts Ayling and Crandall could save time by starting with a call to the mildlooking Belgian on the eighth floor of the Breydel building in Brussels. Like Phil Conditt of Boeing, the bosses of British Airways and American Airlines have learnt the hard way that Karel Van Miert, the European Union's Competition Commissioner, is not a man to be trifled with.

Mr Van Miert's amiable Flemish exterior gives way to anger when he contemplates the charge that he has no business sticking the Commission's nose into such cases as the planned BA-AA alliance and Boeing's merger with McDonnell Douglas. The Commission has thrown a spanner into the works of both deals, which are among dozens being handled by Directorate General IV, the redoubtable regulator of EU

competition policy.

With their global dimension, the aviation cases have become a high-risk test for Mr Van Miert, a socialist with a fierce distaste for bullying, whether by companies or governments. The issue, he says. is simple. If companies or states, wherever they come from, act in a way that distorts the EU's single market, then his duty is to stop it.

The airlines and the previous British Government made a mistake in imagining that their alliance fell outside the commission's authority, says Mr Van Miert. "If two major players are tearning up on major routes the most immediate effect of their alliance will be to kill all competition on some routes and to become completely dominant in others. How could you possibly argue that this should not raise concerns, especially given the fact that Heathrow is such a formess hub?"

He spells out the threat: "There should be no doubt that since there are competiconcerns, they must be met. We are not going to produce a fudge or a make-up deal. If they are not met, we will go to the court." The Commission decision, expected in September, is likely to call for remedies that include giving away several hundred take-off slots at Heathrow and Gatwick. The British authorities are only calling for 168; the American regulators for more

Boeing and its \$13.5 billion merger also comes in for tough talk from the commissioner, who is prepared to ignore the findings of the US regulators if they do not satisfy him. If there is a negative decision it makes this merger illegal and unlawful in our markets ... We can impose a fine for every day that they do not comply with our decision and eventually fines up to 10 per cent of annual turnover. It's not what we have in mind

but . . . this is not just theory." To approve the Boeing deal, the Commission is expected to insist that Boeing at least gives up its 20-year exclusive supplier deals with three major US airlines. What about the





charge that Mr Van Miert is over-reaching himself to protect Europe's Airbus Industrie. the only other big planemaker? "If anyone took just five minutes to look at what we have been doing in the real world, they would see that such remark is absolute nonsense." he says.

Such unvarnished language raises eyebrows among the chief executives, who are increasingly trooping to the commissioner's office. Boeing, unused to strong talk from investigating regulators, is said to have lawyers compiling a file of "Karel's quotes" for use in possible litigation.

The muscular style fuels charges, even from inside the Commission, that Mr Van Miert is intent on empirebuilding and it raises some hackles in Britain. As well as investigating the Guinness-GrandMet merger, the directorate is now keeping an eye on the Government's plans for the windfall profits tax on utilities and on the plans of BT and BSkyB for interactive television services.

The rapid increase in the competition directorate's workload has led Mr Van Miert to complain recently that his 450-strong staff are hard-pressed to deal with cases as quickly as they would like. DGIV's own annual report revealed that the backlog competition cases had grown from around 1,000 to 1.200 last year, and could well rise further with complex

expected to increase this year. Despite this inspectors from DGIV have also featured in recent months in raids on British companies in the pursuit of evidence on price-fixing. Increasingly, companies with competition concerns are looking straight to Brussels, rathen than approaching Margaret Beckett, President of the Board of Trade.

merger and acquisition work

The Commission's chief enforcer laughs off the armtwisting that he experiences from critical governments. My whole experience is that there will always be pressure from one side or another. You have to live with it," he says.

"We have less trouble with Great Britain than many other countries. Globally speaking we are largely on the same track as the British."

He is, after all, suspect in France and Germany, where he is seen as the agent of the "Anglo-Saxon" market fanatics. In Germany, he is a villain for blocking state aid to the Bremer Vulkan shipyards and Volkswagen in Lower Saxony, and for his combat against the Laender banks. In France, he is resented over curbs on aid to Credit Lyonnais and textiles, and he has big battles on the horizon with Lionel Jospin's old-socialist team over post and telecoms. The Spanish Government is still smarring from the rolling lines he imposed after it tried to ignore the ruling against a cable television deal.

Last year his name became mud in his native Belgium for "killing" the loss-making Clabecq steelworks by refusing more state aid. He recovered a little this spring by denouncing Renault for closing its plant near Brussels. Only in Italy, he says, are people happy to call him in because, he senses, they do not trust their own regulators.

The eldest of nine children of a small farmer, Mr Van Miert, 55, was a natural leftist. He still tries to keep his feet on the ground by working as a university lecturer. He is viewed as something of a turncoat on the Continent, where he is accused of turning "ultra-liberal". He disappointed many who who had hoped for a softer touch when Jacques Delors appointed him as successor to Sir Leon Brittan in one of the Commission's few posts with clout.

Mr Van Miert prides himself as the champion of the modest, a role amplified by Belgium's own place as a little nation. "I don't mind being seen as the defender of the little man, making sure that smaller companies can still have a place in the sun. That's part of competition policy," he says. "It's also about the consumer, which I always thought was very high on the agenda in Britain."

His answer to the charge of betraying his social principles is simple. "If you are of the opinion that the market is the best of all systems in spite of all the weaknesses, then you must conclude that it must function properly. You must have a proper competition policy to see the rules are observed." What gets his goat, he says, is the arrogance of outfits that think they are above the law. "A lot of industrialists have their own vision of the market economy. which means that competition should be there when they have to buy something but, if they have to sell, they want to be in the dominant situation." e cites British Air-

ways' frequent calls for the Commission's inter vention, most recently in its row with the Paris airport Charles de Gaulle. This was always the contradiction with British Airways," he says.
"This is a contradiction which is built into many parts of British politics. Over and over again I told Conservative ministers you can't have it both ways'. If you want more real single market... you must accept that there is a strong central authority to see to it that it's functioning properly. You can't expect us to do our job and see the rules are fully

happens in your own country you say 'Oh no we don't need you. Keep out'. The commissioner says the solution to the quarrel about jurisdiction in the globalising economy would be an international competition authority along the lines of the World Trade Organisation. This could relieve some of the strain being inflicted on Mr Van

was the recently approved BT-MCI partnership, "Their atti-

tude was open-minded. It was

really a positive co-operation.

We were able to sort it out in a

minimum of time because they

recognised we might have

some concerns."

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8.90mm On Air, with Andrew McGregor, includes
Evangelista (Douce Nulti): Prokofiev (Symphony
No 1, Classical): Bax (Harp Quintal): Pergolesi, air
Barbrolli (Oboe Concerto in C minor): Wagner
(Overture: The Flying Dutchman): Schumann
(Plano Sonata No 1 in F sharp minor)

9.00 Moming Collection, with Peter Hobdey, includes
Sibelius (Narelia Surie): Debussy (Iwo
Arabesquas): Dvořák (Siring Seatet in A. Op 48)

10.00 Musical Encounters, with Stephanie Hughes,
includes Eduard Strauss (Bahn Frei): Hendel
(Recorder Sonata in G minor, Op 1 No 2): Gade
(Overture: Echoes from Ossian): Schubert (Strang
Quartel in A minor): Barber (Three Songs, Op 10):
Ginastera (Plano Sonata No 1): Bernstein (Baflet
Music: Fancy Free) Miert's team, especially by the swelling number of merger and acquisition cases. He hopes relations with London will be better with Mrs Beckett. "We have the feeling that the new British Government seems to be willing to try to sort things out with the Commission, but for the moment it's just a feeling." The key to a successful encounter with DGIV, says the Commissioner, is an early and helpful approach. The model

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3.45 Saxophone Colossus, Sonny Rollins talks to tellow saxophonist John Surman about his days with the Miles Davis band and with Clifford Brown and Max Roach (2/6)
4.15 Music Restored, Orlando Consort performs a selection of sacred music by Pierre de la Rue (r)
5.00 The Music Machine: Electronics and Digits, Verity Sharp begins a week of programmes looking at music and machines

In recent times The Travel Show has slipped a little from its original policy of cutting through the brochure-speak and telling it how it is. But we are some way from the sun-drenched blandness served up by Jill Dando and company. A new series means a new look and new faces, among them that of Juliet Morris. She begins by exploring the republic of Georgia, which has just come on to the package tour market. A regular item, in which one destination is seen from two points of view, kicks off on the Cote d'Azur. A radio host and a travel journalist have the same budget but different ideas on how to spend it. In another regular feature, members of the public are invited to break their holiday habits and try something new. Thus a couple from Cheshire learn to sail in Greece.

#### Secret History: Lords of the Underworld Channel 4. 9.00pm

The scandal that got away. In 1964 the Sunday Mirror splashed a Scotland Yard inquiry into a peer and a gangster. The unlikely pair were Lord Boothby and Ronnie Kray. There was an implied homosexual link, at a time when homosexuality was still illegal. Boothby wrote to The Times denying he was homosexual and threatening to sue The Sunday Mirror caved in But not for the sue. The Sunday Mirror caved in. But not for the sue. The Sunday Mirror caved in. But not for the first time in his life, Boothby was lying. He was a homosexual and his current lover, a burglar, had been introduced to him by Rounie Kray. The mystery is why the Sunday Mirror retracted. The film suggests that the key was Tom Driberg, a prominent Labour MP and also a homosexual. One of his lovers was a member of the Kray gang. To have pursued Boothby would have meant embarrassing. Labour, too, and the Sunday Mirror's proprietor, Ceril King, was a Labour supporter. Cecil King, was a Labour supporter.

#### Omnibus Jack the Lud BBC1. 10.40pm

Radio 3, 5.15pm-11.30pm

Jack Rosenthal's self-portrait is so enjoyable, you wish it would go on for ever. But he has to stop somewhere and 1961, though it seems a long time ago, is as good a place as ever. That was when his first script appeared as episode 30 of the recently-launched Coronation Street. He wrote another 128

An evening of five programmes from the St Magnus Festival in Orkney, which was started 21 years ago by Sir Peter Maxwell Davies and the Ortadian writer George Mackay Brown. The first programme, a special edition of In Tune, includes the pianist Kathryn Stott and the poet Kenneth White. At 7.30 there is a concert by the Scottish Chamber Orchestra which includes a work by the Scottish composer larges MacMillan In Expense!

Scottish composer James MacMillan. In Farewell

to Stromness at 9.30 Seamus Heaney is among the poets paying tribute to Brown, who died last year. Voices, at 10pm, includes 16th and 17th-century lute music and the final programme at 10.45, a special edition of Mixing It, features Mark Russell and Polymer Sandell playing Syntish music on CD

Robert Sandall playing Scottish music on CD.



Writer Jack Rosenthal (BBCI, 10.40pm)

Street episodes and went on to become one of rele-Street episodes and went on to become one of relevision's funniest and most perceptive writers. Well-chosen clips demonstrate that much of his work, from Barmitzvah Boy to The Evacuees, has drawn on life and particularly the formative years he recalls here. Had he not become a writer, Rosenthal could well have made it as a comic. Whether he is describing his feuding Jewish parents, the schoolmaster who taught him to love the English language or National Service in the Royal Navy, humour is central. But he laughs with and not at people, and there is a deep social concern as well.

#### Born Under the Red Flag Channel 4. 10.55pm

This two-part documentary from the United States charts the history of China since the death of Mao Tse-tung in 1976. The writer/director Sue Williams sticks to the traditional materials, archive film and sticks to the traditional materials, archive him and interviews, and does not try to challenge the accepted account. But it is an achievement all the same, presenting a complex story fucidly and without hyperbole. The central figure is Deng Xiaoping, at 4ft 10in surely one of the smallest leaders of a great power but by no means the weakest, as Mrs Thatcher discovered during a notable dust-up over Hong Kong. Deng's reign was a mixture of economic liberalism and political repression, which opened China up to Western repression, which opened China up to Western capitalism while ensuring that dissent ruthlessly crushed

Wimbledon 97 Radio 5 Live, 1.30pm-8pm

Two years ago during Wimbledon I received some angry (though civilised) correspondence after say-ing that I could not see the point of tennis on radio. ing that I could not see the point of testing of the Readers wanted to know how this squared with my view that cricket was better on radio than on television: a fair point. So last year I listened to the Wimbledon coverage and admit that the commentary of Richard Evans and Tony Adamson brought the games alive, though I holy do the view that the Wimbles alive, though I have yet to scale the listen-Wimbledon team overall has yet to scale the listen-able heights of Test Match Special. John Inverdale presents the coverage and his contributions add much to the entertainment. Christine Janes, Frew McMillan, Wendy Turnbull and Peter McNamara are the expert summarisers.

7.00em Mark Raddiffe 9.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Jo Whiley 2.00pm Nicky Cambell 4.80 Kevin Greening 6.15 Newsbeet 6.30 Evening Sesson 8.30 Live Music Update with Briggy Smale 8.40 Andy Kershaw 10.30 Mary Anne Hobbs 1.00 Claire Sturgess 4.00 Dave Pearce

RADIO 1

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#### RADIOSLIVE

6.00mm Morrang Reports 6.00 Broadcast Programme with James Garvey and Julian Worncher 9.00 The Magazine with Brian Hayes 12.00 Midday with Mair 1.30pm Wimbledon 97. See Choice. Doverage of the first day's games from the All England Champsonships 8.00 Parlanson on Sport 9.00 Tales of the Turf. Richard Griffiths investigates a classic nicing Insud 9.30 Work Out with Lesley Curwen 10.00 News Talk 11.00 News Edita. Up All Night with Rhod Sharp

#### TALK RADIO

5.00em Chris Ashley and Sandy Warr 7.00 Paul Ross 8.00 Scott Chisholm 12.00 Lorrane Kelly 2.00pm Torriny Boyd 4.00 Peter Desley 7.00 Anna Rasburn 10.00 James Whele 1.00em Mike Dickin

#### WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. Naws on the hour 6.00mm Newsday 6.30 Europe Today 7.16 The Four Caliphs 7.30 Omnibus 8.16 Off the Shell 8.30 Vintage Chart Show 9.10 Peuse for Thought 9.15 Your Debate 10.06 Business 10.16 Body of Knowledge 10.30 BBC English 10.45 Sport 11.30 Omnibus 12.30pm Jazzmalazz 1,06 Business 1.16 Citiam 1,30 Seven Days 1.46 Sport 2.30 Newshiour 3.05 Cutlook 3.30 Wimbledon Line 4,06 Sport 4.15 On Your Behalf 4,36 Hot New Country 5.00 Europe 5.30 Business 6.46 Oritain Today 6.15 World Today 6.30 News in German 6.45 Sport 7.30 Masterbrain 8.01 Outlook 8.25 Pause for Thought 8.30 Authbrack 8.00 Newshour 10.05 Susiness 10.16 Birkain 10.30 Heritage 11,30 World Today 11.46 Sport 12.65em Outlook 12.30 Multitrack 1.30 Red Hills of Home 1.46 Britain 2.30 Seven Days 2.45 Dying Notics 3.30 On Screen 4.05 Business 4.15 Sport 4.30 Europe

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#### CLASSIC FM

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VIRGIN RADIO 6.30am Russ 'n' Jono's World Touit Amsterdam 10,00 Graham Dene 1,00pm Jeremy Clark 4,00 Nicky Home 6,00 Pauf Coyle (FM) / Robin Banks (AM) 10,00 Merk Forrest 2,00em Richard Porter

#### RADIO 3

Cluariet in A minor): Barber (Three Songs, Op 10); Ginastera (Piano Sonata No 1); Bernstein (Betlet Music: Fancy Free)

12.00 Composers of the Week: Paria 1750, Includes Leclair, Corrette, Balbastre and Duphiy

1.00pm News; BBC Lunchtime Concert. Live from St John's, Smith Square, London Gyorgy Pauk, violin, Relph Kirshbaum, cello, Peter Frankl, plano. Beethoven (Piano Trio in G. Op 1 No 2). Schumann (Piano Trio in F. Op 80)

2.15 BBC Orchestras, BBC Philhamonic, under Edward Downes. Verdi (La Traviata, Prejude to Act 1; Ballet Music II Trovatore); Elgar (Symphony No 2 in E tiat)

5.15 Orkney Sunset: In Tune. See Choice. The first in Orthery Sustained In Flatinia. See Choice, The Irist in e evening of programmes broadcest from East Church in Kirkwall, Orkney, to celebrate the 21st St Magnus Festival, Includes Grieg (String Quartet No 1 in G minor, 3rd myt); Bach (Concerto in A.

Scottish Chamber Orchestra, under Mathias Barnert, With David Wisson-Johnson, baritone, A Barneri, With David Wison-Johnson, baritone. A concert given last Saturday at St Magnus Cathedral, Includes Mozart (Cassation in G. K63, Final-Musiki), James MacMillan (Tryst); Schubert, orch Harper (Das Heimweht: Dass sie Hier Gewessen; Dan Zwergi & 10 Putting Down Roots. The featural director, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies, discusses the importance of the event with Glernys Hughes and Alisdair Nicholson 8.30 Concert, part two Schubert, orch Harper (Three Songs); Schubert (Symphony No 8 in B minor, Unrinshad) 9.30 Farewell to Stromness, Sb; poels read their specially commissioned tributes to the writer George Mackay. The poels include Seamus Heaney, Iam Crichton Smith, Liz Lochead, Stewart Conn, Edwin Morgan and Kemneth White.

10.00 Volces, Linda Omniston introduces a a recital of Scottish and English songs of darkness and light. With Mhair Lawson, soprano, and Jacob Heringman, lute.

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5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW) 6.00 News Briefing
6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30
Today, includes Thought for the Day 8.40 Letters
from Over Here The last of sky views of Britain by
the former US Ambassador Raymond Selfz
9.00 News 9.05 Sosphort. The first of a new
discussion series hosted by Andrew Net (1/5)
10.00 News; Dear Diary (FM). The writer and poet Ken
Smith records his stay in a village on the border
between Slovakie and the Ukraine (5/6)
10.00 Delity Service (LW) 10.15 On This Day (LW)
10.30 Woman's Hour, with Jann Murray
10.50-1.00pm Test Match Special (LW). Coverage of
the fifth and final day at Lord's
11.30 News; You and Yours (FM), with Mark Whittaker
12.25pm Brain of Britain (FM). The nationwide general
knowledge quiz reaches Wales 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke in
Amsterdam and James Cox in London
1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast
1.40-8.30 Test Match Special (LW)
2.00 News; The Hong Kong Holding Company
(FM), by Matthew Solon. A two-part docu-drams
sot against the handover of the colony Starring
Cecil Cheng and Shiftey Chantrell
3.00 The Afternoon Shift (FM), with Lourie Taylor and
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4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope (FM), Lynne Walker
sees Army's View, the new play from David Hare at
the National Theatre in London

4.45 Short Story (FM): Stigmata, by Jenniler Cornell Read by Jean Builer (r) 5.00 PM (FM). Presented by Chris Lowe 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News (FM)

6.30 I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue, with Humphrey Lyttelion, Barry Cryer, Graeme Garden, Denise Coffey and Tim Brooke-Taylor (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Brooke-Taylor (r)
7.20 The Food Programme. Veronica Cecil uncovers the secret success of the Muree Brewery in Pakistan. Founded in 1860, it is still brewing beer in a country that has been officially alcohol-free since 1979 (r)

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7.45 The Monday Play: Saying No, by David Britton The story of a Chanese refugee who arrives in Western Australia in the 1850s and is inapired by the exploits of the outlaw Moondyne Joe. With Fiona Choi and Elwyn Edwards

9.00 Risking Your Neck, Geoff Waits examines the way in which most of us react towards the various risks we are presented with in life

9.30 Kaleidoscope (r) 9.59 Weather

10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lustig

10.45 Book at Bedfirme: The Monkey Klay. Timothy Mols slory set in postwar Hong Kong. Read by David Yip (1/10)

11.00 Ballad of the Sad Cates (FM). Menna Bonsels wars a Viotnamese establishment (J/A) (r)

11.00 Education Matters (LW). David Watter presents the essential guide to the learning world

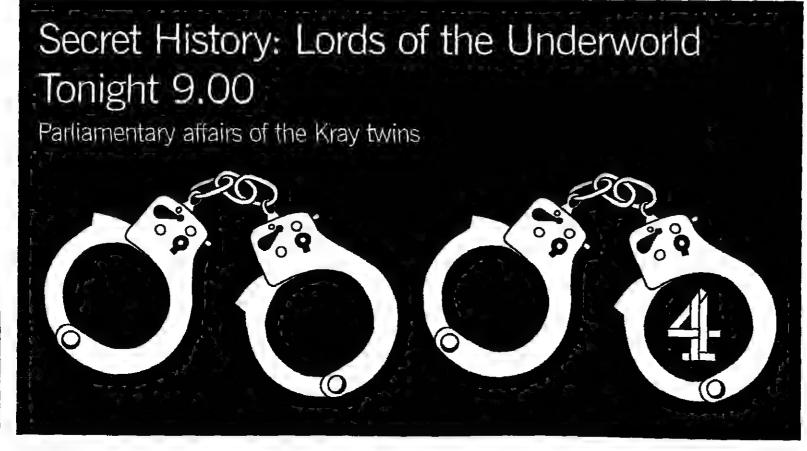
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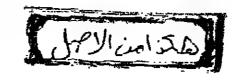
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11.30 Today in Parliament (LW). A roundup of the day's events in Westmanster
12.00 News; Weather 12.30am Late Book: Il Positino. Julie Morrice's five-part adaptation of the novel by Antonio Stammela. Read by David Rintoul (r)
12.48 Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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# Big trouble in Little Moscow. But so what?

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series format in television is relentiess. If network execurives are not commissioning foodie programmes, preferably featuring hourd sharpers of the Jilly Goolden variety, they are out soliciting new ways to deliver copsand-robbers action. Every variety of police officer having been tried. from the disabled to the lesbian. the quest now switches to ... the

This raises a dilemma. Set the piece in the distant future and you will not have problems with criticism relating to authenticity, for obvious reasons. Trouble is, the distant future can be expensive. For one thing, 500 years from now not many people will be running about in Ford Fiestas, which jacks up the cost of your street scenes. But set the story in the near hiture, say, 25 years hence, and

he search for a new police not all that much. So you use camera angles to give the impression that, for example, city centres have been pedestrianised. You can assume technology will have marched on, so your communications can have an Orwellian flavour, which costs very little.

Beyond that, there is not much extra money to be spent. Indeed, if I were the producer of Police 2020 (ITV), I would have retreated to the wine bar after watching a final cut of last night's offering and sat down to wonder why the hell I had bothered to set it in the future at all. For the problem with Police 2020 is that the format gets in the way of the story.

Just about any drama that turns up on screen at two hours long can be assumed to be a pilot for a series, but TTV is saying nothing about that in relation to this one. I have always been mystified as to why a drama series that will obviously run at one hour per

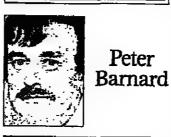
episode should require a two-hour pilot but I can tell ITV that if they had cut last night's story in half, it would have been plenty long enough.

The stunt of setting the story in the future was irritating but fortunately not terminal. The scene is downtown Manchester and we are asked to believe that between now and 2020 there has been some sort of social collapse in Boris Yeltsin's brave new world, with the result that Britain has a significant population of Russian immigrants.

hus to the Little Moscow Estate comes Eddie Longshaw (Keith Barron), who takes hostages in a lift. His family has died in a TB epidemic which he blames on the immigrants, although the TB actually started long before the Russians arrived. The usual subplot concerns the two police officers leading the hostage rescue, played by

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Liam Cunningham and Rachel Davies, who are rivals for a senior

Therefore we have a bigot who deserves some sympathy because of losing his family, plus two police officers playing out a standardissue rivalry scenario. The promised technical wizardry is humdrum and bigots taking hostages is hardly a plotline that needs the perceptive abilities of

Arthur C. Clarke. In a sentence, Police 2020 is a banal drama which had a decent script (by Paul Abbott of Cracker) but not much else going for it.

One other thing not going for it was the rival BBC1 scheduling: you had to miss the climax of Plotlands and the whole of Born to Run to see Police 2020, which would not have been much of a deal in my view. Not that I have been the greatest champion of Plotlands (BBCI), but at least its final episode last night was less glum than the opener I reviewed six weeks ago.

Saskia Reeves has been excellent as Chloe Marshall, the woman who flees her drunken and violent husband to set up home on a new development in Essex. This being the turn of the century, the development consists of tents, but Chloe and her two daughters seemed to be making some sort of new life for themselves.

Last night the most dreaded figure in any woman's life turned up at the tent: not a husband who is still drunk, but a husband who claims not to have had a drink for

six weeks. A likely story. It lasted for one night, during which the husband raped his wife and slapped his children. As the sun set on the series, the husband was kicked out, which passed for a happy ending.

eaven forbid that television crines shows be let loose as provision critics should ever gramme makers, but the daft idea of asking four theatre critics to direct productions at the Battersea Arts Centre made an entertaining edition of The Works: It Might Be Alright on the Night (BBC2) last night. The critics included Jeremy Kingston of The Times but the programme concentrated on the efforts of Nicholas de Jongh and James Christopher.

I suppose that to criticise a programme in which critics direct plays and people who normally direct plays criticise the criticdirectors is to be so abstruse that even Samuel Beckett might balk at my cheek, but this programme tried to do too much. By which I mean, it was too short.

There was plenty of de Jongh. who can play the luvvie as if to the manner born ("It took him ten days to get a bulldog clip for his script," an actor said of him). But we saw little of Christopher, nor was there much of Max Stafford-Clark and Stephen Daldry, the directors who reviewed the hapless

If journalists are going to be foolish (or sporting) enough to offer themselves for ritual humiliation, surely the proceedings should be played out on television at greater length than this. Where was the blood? Where the tears? None of either. Yah boo.

#### BBC1

you might reasonably suppose that things will have changed, but

6.00am Business Breakfast (71781) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (1) (83439) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (1) (5397052) 9.20 Cheggers' Challenge Transforming a drab city belcony (3216236)

9.45 Kilroy (T) (9746743) 10.25 Who'll Do the Pudding? Chilled gazpacho, loin of pork with peach chutney, and midsummer pudding are

Rankin and Sophie Grigson (1098584) 10.45 News (T) and weather (6270694) 10.50 Cricket Second Test: England v coverage of the final morning at Lord's Commentary by Richle Benaud, David Gower, Jan Chappell and Geoffrey Boycott (93982101)

12,35pm Neighbours (T) (4354830) 1.00 Naws (T) and weather (86526)

1.30 Regional News (15418101) 1,40 Wimbledon, 97 Coverage of the first affernoon's metches following the opening of the new No 1 Court by the Al-England Club's President, the Duke of Kent.: Defending men's champion Richard Krajicek of Holland follows tradition and is first into the tray on Centre

4.10 Benanaman (6978217) 4.15 Casper (9681985) 4.35 Run the Riek (6649410) 5.00 Newsround (T) (8361323) 5.10 Blue Peter (T) (7028526)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (T) (193965) 6.00 News (T) and weather (304) 6.30 Regional News (656)

7.00 Big Break Dennis Taylor and Dave Harold are joined by Oliver King at the snocker table (T) (8762)

7.30 Mastermind Contestants get their heads around questions on Elton John, the life and works of Arthur C. Clarke, the 68-year reign of Franz Joseph, and theropod dindesurs. Hosted by Magnus Magnusson from the debating chamber of the Cambridge Union Society (T) (168)

8.00 EastEnders: Simon tries to scupper Tony's efforts to maintain a low profile. Sonia's revalations (1) (7410)

8.30 The Peter Principle Lottery winner iris is assured the highest rate of interest when she arrives to deposit her nest egg with staming Jim Broadbent (1) (3217) 9.00 News (T) and weather (5897)

9.30 Birds of a Feather Sharon attempts to get her ben from entering the house lifted by appealing to her better half (T) (33859)

10.00 Panorama Hard-hitting reports on issues making the headlines (T) (464385) Omnibus: Jack the Lad Television playwright Jack Resenthal gives a personal account of his

career (f) (921255) 11.35 Bar Milzven Boy Play by Jack Rosenthal with Jaremy Steyn, Adrienne Posta and Maria Charles. Thirteen-year-old Eliot is bewildered by the hysteria aurrounding his immenent Bar Mitzvah. His sk realises all is not well and puts it down to

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6.00am Open University: Just Like a Girl (3985762) 6.25 The Golden Thread (3904897) **6.50** Developing Language (T)

7.16 See Hear Breakfast Show (T and signing) (1614507)

7.30 Teenage Mutant Hero Turties (r) (T) (6522101) 7.55 Blue Peter (r) (T) (2714762) 8.20 Brum (r) (2815269) 8.35 Raccoons (r) (2371878) 9.00 Tex Avery (r) (3118168)

9.10 The Phil Silvers Show (b/w) (r) (3218694)

9.35 Preserving for the Texte of It (r) (4308472) 10.00 Telefubbies (38491) 10.30 Face to Face Bob Monkhouse (r)

11.10 The Trouble with Men (r) (T) (3973526) 11.50 Johnson and Friends (6508385)

12.00 Wimbledon 97 and Cricket: Second Test Desmond Lynam and Sue Barker present the start of two weeks of live action from the All-England Club, where the world's greatest players have gathered once more to contest the third leg of tennis's Grand Stam: Cricket: Further coverage from the final day of the second Test between England and Austrelle at Lord's, includes news; regional news and weather at 3.00 and 3.55 (3613965)



Juliet heads for Georgia (8.30pm)

8.30 The Travel Show in the first of a new series Juliet Morns samples the food, hospitality and culture of Georgia, previously a part of the Soviet Union Plus: two very different holidays on the Côte d'Azur and a couple learn to sail

9.00 The Vicer of Dibley A falling tree destroys St Barnabas's stained-glass window during a violent storm, and Geraldine is put in charge of raising funds

9.30 Today at Wimbledon Sus Barker Introduces highlights from the Centre Court (T) (30830)

10.28 Video Nation Hong Kong Shorts (234033)

10.30 Newsmight with Gavin Ester (T) (431217) 11.15 Cricket: Second Test England v Australia. Richie Benaud presents highlights of the titth and final day's play at Lord's (766675) 11.55 Weather (296656)

12.00 The Midnight Hour Political chat, with Sir Bernard Ingham (12892)

12.30am Learning Zone: Open University: Cine Cinephiles (99453) 1.00 Pianza A Renalssance City (70989) 1.30 Le Corbusier and the Villa La Roche (19366) 2.00 Nightschool TV: Seeing Through Science (63347) 4.00 BBC Focus Italia 2000 (22415) 4.30 Royal Institution Discourse (17502) 5.30 RCN Nursing

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6.00am GMTV (9176439) 9.25 Supermarket Sweep (r) (T) (3224255) 9.55 Regional News (T) (4918588) 10.00 The Time, the Place (32217)

10.30 This Morning (1) (65362168) 12.20pm Regional News (T) (1387694) 12.30 News (T) and weather (4380255) 12.55 The Pulse (T) (4365946) 1.25 Home and Away (7)(90568217) 1.50 Side Effects (r) (1061651) 2.40 Dr Quinn: Medicine Woman (1/2) (T) (7376472)

3.20 News (T) (3533052) 3.25 Regional News (T) (3532323) 3.30 Caribou Kitchen (3343410) 3.40 Tols TV

(r) (8299491) 3.50 Where's Wally? (r) (T) (5923946) 4.16 Wooll (r) (T) (576743) 4.45 On Your Marks (T) (6630762) 5.10 Highway to Heaven (1/2) (8258120) 5.40 News (T) and weather (338743) 5.57 Pollen Count (834236)

6.00 Home and Away (r) (1) (110168) 6.25 HTV Weather (230209) 6.30 The West Tonight (1) (192) 7.00 Wheel of Fortune (T) (3830)

7.30 Coronation Street Vera is in for a shock on her return to the Rovers (T) (236) 8.00 World in Action An Insight from World in Action, the programme at the centre of Jonathan Altken's abandoned liber action, into the story which brought down the former cabinet minister (T) (9878)

8.30 Turner Round the World Anthea Turner reports live from a mystery location, offering the trip of a lifetime to the first er to guess where she is (8385)



McMonagle is mystified (9pm)

9.00 Bramwell A terminally ill patient makes what appears to be a miraculous recovery. Dr Mersham is sceptical, but an encounter with a faith healer makes him realise he still has a lot to learn. With Kevin McMonagle (T) (7507)

10.00 News (T) and weather (12878) 10.30 Regional News (T) (839965) 10.40 Alien III (1992) with Sigourney Weever

Charles Dance and Charles S. Dutton.
When officer Pipley lands on a bleak, allmale prison planet, a gruesome wave of 
staughter begins. Directed by David 
Fincher (T) (1908/7878) 12.40am Shadows of the Past (1991) with

Erika Anderson, Nicholas Campbell and Film Richard Beny. A woman awakens from a memory slowly returns, she learns some horritying facts about her past life. Directed by Gabriel Pelletier (679724) 2.25 Club Nation (r) (T) (6220960)

3.25 God's Gift (r) (1367521)

4.20 Sound Bites (96718927) 4.30 World in Action (r) (T) (88906) 5.00 Coronation Street (r) (T) (57540)

#### CENTRAL As HTV West except: 12.55pm-1.25 A Country Practice (4385946)

1.50 Blue Heelers (5800120) 2.50-3.20 High Road (2065323) 6.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8258120) 6.25-7.00 Central News (478965) 12.40am Wer of the Worlds (7614328)

1.35 Late and Loud (4187724)

#### 2.40 Film: Babycakes (866705) WESTCOUNTRY

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11.45 Prisoner: Cell Block H (122217)

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As HTV West except: 12.55-1.25 A Country Practice (4365946) 1,50 At Home (31922472) 2,20-3,20 Blue Heelers (5942168) 5,10-5.40 Home and Away (8258120)

6.00 Meridian Tonight (472) 6.30-7.00 Summer Getaways (192) 5,00em Freescreen (57540)

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1,50 Up Shot (\$1922472) 2.20-3.20 Blue Heelers (5942168) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8258120) 6,25-7.00 Anglia News (478965)

#### 7.00 The Big Breakfast (76149)

2.00 Bewitched (22255) 9,30 Film: The Berretts of Wimpole Street (13613965) 11.35 Springhili (4131472)

12.00 Members Only (76061) 12.30pm Montel Williams (39033) 1.00 Slot Meithrin (10069491) 1.15 Smot v CI (10064946) 1.30 Film: The Jungle Book (46856) 3.30 Here's One I Made Earlier (830) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (965) 4.30 Garden Party (149)

5.00 5 Pump (8354033) 5.10 Ffell (3268472) 5.30 Countdown (101) 6.00 Newyddion (734897) 6,05 Heno (198948)

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8,30 Newyddion (9255) 9.00 O Flaen Dy Lygeld (5149) 10.00 Sgorio (8236) 11.00 Planet Showbiz (3052)

11.30 Heroes of Comedy: Frankle Howard 12.30em Born Under the Red Flag (5367144)

#### CHANNEL 4 **6,00am Sesame Street** (r) (64491) **7.00** The Big Breaktast (76149) **9.00** Bewitched (r) (T) (22255)

9.30 The Barretts of Wimpole Street (1934, b/w) with Norma Shearer, Fredric March and Charles Laughton. The story of the romance between the poet Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning. Directed by

Sidney Franklin (T) (13613965) 11.35 Australia Wild (r) (4131472) 12.00 Members Only (r) (T) (76061) 12.30pm Caroline in the City (r) (T) (39033) 1.00 Springhill (T) (23849052) 1.25 One Week

1.45 On the Fiddle (1961, b/w) Second World War comedy with Alfred Lynch and Sean Connery. Directed by Cynl Frankel (58376491) 3.30 Here's One I Made Earlier New cookery

series (†) (830) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (†) (965) 4.30 Countdown (†) (6640149) 4.55 Montel Williams (†) (5825217) 5.30 Pet Rescue (r) (T) (101)

6.00 Home Improvement (994) 6.30 Hollyoeks Teen soap (T) (694)

7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (972526) 7.50 Hearty Facts The first of a short series on the heart (990946)

8.00 Dosh in a holiday special Adam Falth reveals how to have a luxury holiday at a traction of the normal price; what to do when a cream holiday turns into a disaster and where to find the best exchange rates (4/8) (T) (3520)

8.30 Absolutely Animals Featuring an investigation into the damage caused by the tropical-fish industry to both (Ish and coral reefs (4/8) (T) (9255)



Ronnie Kray and Lord Boothby (9pm)

9.00 Secret History: Lords of the Underworld The story of the triendship between Lord Boothby and the gangsler Ronnie Kray (T) (5149)

10.00 NYPD Blue A man claims his daughter has been abducted (T) (260755) 10.55 Born Under the Red Flag How Mao's auccessor, Deng

Xisoping, tried to maintain the political status quo as well as performing an economic mirecle (1/2) (T) (4785746) 12.05am Deadly (1991) with Jeroma Enlars, Frank Gallacher and Lydia Miller. After a shooting incident, a Sydney police officer is given the supposedly routine task of

In police custody. Directed by Esben 2.00 The Mortuery Man (r) (26231)

2.30 Broadway Stories (4/10) (r) (T) 3.05 The Heroin Wars (3/3) (r) (T) (1391182) 4.05 The Affairs of Cellini (1934, b/w).
Florentine bedroom farce with Fredric
March and Constance Bennett. Directed

by Gregory La Cava (3212095)

5.30 Backdate (r) (1) (15989)

#### CHANNEL 5 ON SATELLITE

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Channel 5 is now broadcasting on transponder No 63 on the Astra Satellite. transponder No 63 on the Astra Satelline. Viewers with a Videocrypt decoder will be able to receive the channel free of charge. Frequencies for transponder No 63 are picture: 10.92075 GHz; sound:

6.00am 5 News Early (6301697)

7.30 Havakazoo (3016675) 8.00 Adventures of the Bush Patrol (8225675) 8.30 WideWorld. Mary Ann Sieghart from *The* Times discovers what it is like to live in a bilingual area (8224946)

9.00 Espresso (9240502) 10.00 Exclusivel (r) (1111743) 10.30 Attractions (r) (8237410) 11.00 Leeza (1458878) 11.50 Double Espresso (66442205) 12.00 The Bold and the Beautiful (T) (8228762) 12.30pm Family Affairs (r) (T) (1515043)

1.00 5 News Update (T) (52486781) 1.05

Sunset Beach (T) (9392217) 2.00 5's Company (8949217) 3.30 Goddess of Love (1988) with Vanna White, David Naughton and Little Richard. Romantic cornedy about the loves of the goddess Venus. Directed by Jim Drake (1823878)

5.20 5's Company: Late Extra (99404830) 5.30 100 Per Cent (7710897) 6.00 Whittie (T) (7700410)

6.30 Family Affairs Jack finally plucks up the courage to leave Elsie, but Maria will not take him in (T) (7791762) 7.00 Exclusive! Showbiz news with Jonothan

Coleman, Julia Bradbury and Jason Roberts (6864897) 7.30 Natural Natives: Supermouse The world of the house mouse, an incredible aurvivor capable of adapting to all kinds

ol situations (1) (7797946) 8.00 Hot Property in the last of the series Sandy Mitchell gives the benefit of his housebuying experience to restaurateur Somerset Moore, who is searching for a second home in Devon (T) (6840217)

8.30 5 News (T) (6852052)



Jeff Bridges as the Starman (9pm)

9.00 Starman (1984) With Jeff Bridges and Karen Allen. Sci-II tale about a visiting space traveller who talls in love with an Carpenter (T) (6998946)

11.00 The Jack Docherty Show Lale-night chat and comedy (6668491)

11.45 We Know Where You Live kneverant sketch show featuring Simon Pegg, Fiona Allen and Sanjeev Bhaskar (5487965) 12.15am Live and Dangerous Live sports magazine hosted by Dominik Diamond. Includes at 2.00 Xirerne Sports

4.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H (3004724) 5.30 100 Per Cent (r) (8795417)

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Reference news coverage, with bulleties on References a week

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8.00pm King's Row (1942) (15819859) 8.10 The January Mas (1968) (33885746) 10.00 The Dead Pool (1968) (538614) 11.35 Gator (1976) (3902205) 1.35am Fat City (1972) (2279889) 3.15-5.15 King's Row (1942) (3585908)

9.00pm The Prize (1983) (10089675) 11.20 Lollin (1982) (91472014) 2.00 The Picture of Dorian Grey (1945) (29080778) 3.50-5.00 All About Beths (89743705)

7.00cm Superbles (94530) 8.30 Racing Naws (50675) 9.00 World Sport Special (74255) 9.30 Aerobics (94507) 10.00 Grand (74:55) 9.30 Aerocics (94:37)
Prix Saling (30897) 10.30 Rugby League
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SKY SPORTS 3 12.00 Golf Busck Classic (85638878)
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4.30 Watersports World (189825223)
5.30 Grand Prix Saling (11985859) 6.00 Dray
Racing (14975472) 6.30 Winning Post:
Windsor and Yarmouth — Live (79000235)
8.00 Cricket: England v Australia — Second
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7.00mm Record Breakers (4560965) 7.35 Neighbours (8825994) 8.00 Crossroads (7684525) 8.25 EastEnders (2974762) 9.00 The Bit (5616255) 9.30 You're Only Young Twice (5188304) 10.00 Duty Free (2760120) 10.30 The Sulfivans (5612439) 11.00 Casualty (83004897) 12.00 ppm Crossroads (88510607) 12.30 Neighbours (5163120) 1.00 EastEnders (2231878) 1.35 Dear John (2800472) 2.15 The Mastress (1729110) 2.50 th Aint Hall Hat Mart (5741101) 3.30 2.50 it Ain't Half Hot, Marm (5741101) 3.30 The Bill (2751385) 4.00 Boon (7141385) 5.00 Bruce Forsyth and the Generation Game (81413965) 6.05 EastEnders (235356) (4-0 Syles (235403) 7-20 Li Who The Geness of the Deleks (870014) 7-50 Only When I Leugh (232410) 8-30 Woodsbyroovy (9033675) 9-00 The Bit (170897) 9-30 Casusty (4-211236) 10-35 Minder (2350551) 11-35 Coldiz (178856)

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SATELLITE AND CABLE

John Travolta and Uma Thurman in Pulp Fiction (Sky Movies, 11pm)

(2161439) 8.30 Good Troop (16255) 9.00 Care Bears (3997472) 8.25 Under the Umbrella Tree (3916507) 9.60 Muppet Babres (6819859) 10.15 Groundling Marth 1742897 10.40 Sing Me a Story (8313255) 11.05 Poddington Peas (9215149) 11.10 By Garage (8842743) 11.25 Poch Corner (264236) 11.55 Fraggis Rock (1286385) 12.20pm Mouse Tracks (3580014) 12.45 Timon and Pumpas (98182859) 1.00 Boy Maets World (82590168) 1.25 Bonkers (96027323) 1.50 Quack Pack (52874472) (9000528) 3.00 Little Marmard (3896471) Chooseday (2089) 5,00 Aladoln (7887988) 5,25 Tirnon and Pumbea (8810217) 5,35 Mighty Ducka (388205) 6,00 New Doug (4052) 6,30 Boy Meets World (5304) 7,00 Brütnerly Love (7472) 7,30 FILIR: The Computer Wore Tennis Shoes (34120) 9,00 Dave's World (75323) 9,30-10.00

FOX KIDS NETWORK 6.00am Three Little Ghosts (2320168) 6,30 Inspector Garget (5718507) 7.00 Pizza Cals (7086830) 7.20 Power Rengers Zeo (7005965) 8.00 Bertleborgs (9762588)

Island (5720676) 9.20 Magic Box (5195410) 9.45 Dudley the Dragon (9531859) 10.05 Pimba's Island (1141781) 10.25 Magic Box (9929507) 11,00 Jin Jin (983491) 11,30 Pinocchio (9984120) 12.00 Inspector Gadget (9765675) 12.30pm VR Troopers (77102678) 12.50 Power Rangers Zeo [77182014] 1.10 Beetlacorgs (25714586) 1.30 Eeld (3404584) 2.00 Lile with Louie (4575491) 2.30 Crocadoo (8063014) 3.00 Gadget Boy (4595525) 3.30 Eeld (8075859) 4.00 Life with Louis (3087694) 4.30 Power Rangers Zeo (8083878) 5.00 Beetleborgs (4567743) 6.30 Spidemen (8067830) 6.00 X Men (9064743) 6.30-7.00 Goosebumps (8068323)

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Non-stop cartoons from 5.00em to 9.00pm includes Tom and Jerry, Popeyti NICKELODEON

6.00am Court Duclula (78120) 6.30 Rocko (14559) 7.00 Hey Arnold (45217) 7.30 Rugriss (57052) 8.00 Doug (59948) 8.30 Arthur (58217) 9.00 CBBC (72897) 9.30 CBBC (82149) 10.00 Wimze's House (38439) 10.30 Baber (61781) 11.00 Magic School Bus (20859) 11.30 Victor end Marta/Victor and Mana/Samey/Luzzie's Library/Bod/Jeribo and Th (21588) 12.00 Benerass in Pyjerres (52033) 12.00pm Richard Scarry (69965) 1.00 CBBC (44589) 1.30 CBBC (95236) 2.00 Dr Seuss (8946) 2.30 Arthur (6694) 3.00 Alvan and the 2.30 Arthur (6694) 3.00 Alvin and the Chipmunis (2661) 3.30 Bruno the Kid (849) 4.00 Hey Amoldi (7946) 4.30 Rugrats (6830) 5.00 Sister Sister (2526) 5.30 Kenan and Kei (1110) 6.00 Alex Mack 17323) 8.30-7.00 Doug (8675)

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BUSINESS EDITOR Patience Wheatcroft

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# NatWest takes action to repel bidders

NATWEST GROUP is set to mount a fierce rearguard action this week, amid speculation that its financial woes have made it a prime target for a takeover bid.

Lord Alexander of Weedon chairman of NatWest, and Derek Wanless, group chief executive, are to meet leading institutional investors after reports that banking rivals are circling. Barclays and Bank of Scotland have been mentioned as bidders, while an unnamed investment bank is believed to be working on a break-up plan. Any bid for NatWest would have to value the bank at more than £15 billion. NatWest has been left dan-

the Canadian publisher, is

holding talks with City in-

vestment banks in prepara-

tion for a trade sale of

Thomson Travel Group, its

British Airways, Carlson Travel and Tui, the largest

tour operator in Germany.

are regarded as prospective

buyers. BA is keen to gain a

foothold in the package holi-

day industry and Carlson,

which is in negotiations to

buy Inspirations, another

UK tour operator, has made

no secret of its expansionist

Sources in the industry

say the trade sale could be

completed by next March.

Dresdner Kleinwort Benson

and Goldman Sachs are

among those being consid-

ered as financial adviser for

tour operator.

NatWest Markets, its investment banking arm, which lost Martin Owen, its chief executive, a week ago. His resignation was accompanied by a

profits warning.
Sir Andrew Large, outgoing chairman of the Securities and Investments Board (SIB), has been tipped as a possible successor. Another is Simon Robertson, former deputy chairman of Dresdner Kleinwort Benson, who is set to become a partner in Goldman Sachs, the US investment bank, but has yet to seal the appointment.

Mr Wanless stepped in as acting chief executive of NatWest Markets, which was rocked in March by the dis-

wants to hive off its travel

business, which comprises

Thomson Holidays, the big-

gest tour operator in the UK. Lunn Poly, the high street travel agent, and Britannia Airways, the charter carrier.

The Toronto parent has made no secret of its wish to

concentrate on its core information and publishing busi-

ness and needs money to

Airtours, its biggest rival.

control 50 per cent of the £7

billion overseas package

holiday market in the UK.

Last November they were

referred to the Monopolies

and Mergers Commission

for alleged anti-competitive

practices. The MMC investi-

gation is likely to take until

this November. But trave

companies believe it could

be February before the re-

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Thomson Holidays and

fund acquisitions.

Thomson to sell

travel business

By Marianne Curphey

covery of a £90 million "black hole" in its interest rate op-tions book. Coopers & Lybrand, the accountant, is preparing a report on the circumstances of the losses. Leading NatWest Investors, including Prudential Corpora-tion, and Mercury Asset Management, are expected to voice for the next few days.

Barclays yesterday dis-missed as "speculation" reports that it was considering an opportunist bid for NatWest, which recently broke off preliminary merger talks with Abbey National, An unnamed Barclays source was quoted as saying the timing for a bid could hardly be better, adding: "NatWest's share price is low, its manage-ment discredited, its shareholders worried and it is in a highly vulnerable position."

Barclays and NatWest combined would create a banking force to rival Lloyds TSB. They speak for nearly 50 per cent of business customer accounts and each have about 20 per cent of current accounts. Any attempt to combine would almost certainly invite a referral to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

Barclays is preoccupied with events at Barclays de Zoete Wedd (BZW), its investment banking arm, which is struggling to grow market share. Martin Taylor, chief executive of Barclays, favours harnessing the bank's internal strengths where possible.

Bank of Scotland dismissed as "speculation with no substance" a report that it was looking at ways of reversing into NatWest. NatWest has arguably the strongest retail banking presence in the UK. but is the most lowly rated of the big banks. The City believes that too much money has gone into building its investment banking: NatWest Markets last year poached a trio from Morgan Stanley on a combined package thought to be worth \$50 million. One Hong Kong-based trader was reputedly signed for \$15 million over three years.



Good figure: Harvey Nichols is expected to report a 40 per cent advance in profits

#### Department stores in vogue

in Leeds and the recovery in fortunes at House of Fraser have helped department stores to become one of the most successful sectors in retailing (Jason Nissé writes). A report out today from Corporate Intelligence on Retailing says that the top 50 department store groups increased sales by 5.7 per cent in 1995-96 and are predicted to grow 10 per cent in the current financial year.

This good news will be backed up by figures today from Harvey Nichols. showing full-year taxable profits up 40 per cent at nearly £13 million. It has been helped by the Leeds store

THE successful expansion of Harvey Nichols and the opening of its Oxo Tower restaurant overlooking the Thames in London.

The growth of department stores has been fuelled by the success of fashionable concessions such as Oasis, Kookaï and Karen Miller. John Lewis have recently reported sales growth of more than 9 per cent. Even House of Fraser, the underperformer of the sector, saw a 4.9 per cent advance in like-for-like sales in the 16 weeks to May 17. House of Fraser is due to unveil its own brand in the next few weeks, a launch that will involve three womenswear ranges and two in menswear.

# Lawyers beaten by insurance actuaries in wage league

INSURANCE actuaries, who have long suffered from a reputation as quiet, bespectacled, dull statisticians, are now Britain's highest-paid professionals with average salaries of £90,000 eclipsing even those of corporate lawyers.

Salaries for actuaries have soared in recent years as a egacy of the pensions misselling scandal. There are still relatively few qualified actu-aries, and the complexities of risk assessment in general insurance and the increase in takeovers and mergers of insurance companies mean they are in huge demand. This has been amplified by the pen-sions mis-selling scandal, where actuaries have been needed to calculate how much people lost when they were sold the wrong pension.

Those actuaries who leave number-crunching to become entrepreneurs can command salaries of up to £350,000, which puts them on a par with the chief executives of some FTSE 100 companies.

Even those who stay in the profession and have seven years of experience in general insurance can expect an average pay packet of £90,000. This puts them well above patent agents, who earn an average of £79,000; and lawvers, who earn an average of £40,000 at the same stage in their careers. Actuaries in life insurance earn slightly less than their colleagues working for the composites.

Although some lawyers in the City earn substantially more than this, the average is reduced by the inclusion in the calculations of those who work for clients with legal aid or who have practices in rural parts of Britain.

The research by GAAPS. the specialist recruitment agency, found that insurance actuaries headed the pay league table for the first time. Actuaries have seen a sizeable increase in their com-. bined salaries and benefits over the past few years. Recently qualified members of

the profession saw an average

rise of more than 17 per cent

last year to £50,500 from £43,000 in 1995.

Dr Geraldine Kaye, who

BY FRAMER NICLSON BRITAIN'S largest 100

trained as an actuary and

founded GAAPS five years

ago, said: "The research also

showed that those actuaries

who left university with a first class degree qualified up to two-and-a-half years earlier

than those with second class

The better-paid actuaries also enjoy pension contribu-tions, private medical insur-

ance, a company car and a performance-related bonus. Or Kaye said: "Being an

actuary is a great way to earn

of the reasons I went into the

**Earnings** 

of 'top cats'

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a lot of money, and that's one

ioted companies provide their top executives with an average pay package of nearly £1 million each. Research conducted by The Times shows that swelling

share option schemes last year fuelied an average 17 per cent rise for the highest-paid directors of FTSE 100 companies, giving an average remuneration of £980,000. However, the same com-

panies were less generous to staff, who were awarded an average pay increase of 7 per cent over the year. Over the past five years, the

average salary paid to general employees of FTSE 100 companies has risen by 47 per cent, while the average package awarded to the highestearning director has jumped by 113 per cent.

John Browne, chief executive of British Petroleum, took home £2.54 million last year after cashing in £1.7 million from a long-term share performance plan. Bill Harrison. chief executive of Barciays de Zocte Webb, was awarded £3.14 million for 1996, largely because of a £1.5 million olden hello to lure him from Robert Fleming.

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### Labour friends in Liddell's sights

By Jon Ashworth

HELEN LIDDELL, Economic Secretary to the Treasury. may embarrass the business friends of new Labour when she delivers her initial verdict on the pensions mis-selling scandal tomorrow.

Two firms in particular are expected to be singled out for criticism by Ms Liddell, who will make her remarks in response to a written Commons question. Candidates in the firing line include Prudential Corporation, which has 50,000 mis-selling complaints against it, and Pearl Assurance, with 37,000 complaints.

Any criticism of Pearl or Prudential could lead to wider embarrassment for Labour. Malcolm Bates. Pearl's chairman, will today deliver a review of the Private Finance Initiative at the request of Ms Liddell's Treasury colleague, Geoffrey Robinson, the Paymaster General. Sir Peter Davis, chief executive of the Prudential, is to head the Government's

Some 24 pensions companies were given until June lo to report on what resources have been allocated to investigating allegations of pensions mis-selling. Physical details, such as the number of staff assigned to the task, will be made public tomorrow. Companies will then have to provide monthly updates, with the first deadline on July 1.

welfare-to-work scheme.

More than 550,000 people were wrongly persuaded to leave their employers' pension schemes in favour of personal pensions in the late eighties. The cost of compensating them could top £4 billion, but the life offices concerned have been slow in respond. Ms Liddell is intent on making an example of offenders.

#### New name bankrupted by Lloyd's

LLOYD'S of London has bankrupted a second name in its offensive against investors who have failed to meet their dues (Jon Ashworth writes).

Robert Patrick Thompson was made bankrupt on June £500,000. Earlier this month. Brian Rowlands, a betting shop owner from Cheshire became the first name to be made bankrupt by Lloyd's since it began trading more than 300 years ago.

Lloyd's obtained judgment against Mr Thompson in March, but proceedings were delayed after Wilkinson Maughan, a firm of solicitors acting for him; said that he had no monies to make any settlement. Lloyd's indicated that it would consider any offer covering its costs in the action, but this was declined. Mr Thompson did not resist the making of a bankruptcy order.

Foods group aims for lower emissions

# BP meanz less gas at Heinz

H J HEINZ, the groceries

manufacturer known for its baked beans, has enlisted the help of BP Energy in a £29 million contract to reduce dioxide emissions from its Harlesden factory in North London.

BP Energy is to build a more efficient and cost-effective production plant, which will mean a reduction in emissions amounting to about 26,000 tonnes a year and save up to 5500,000 a year. The combined heat and power (CHP) plant should be fully operational by early next year at the

By LIZANNE ROSE factory, which makes tomato ketchup, salad cream and

David Gosnell, Heinz's operations director, said: "The new efficient CHP technology achieves both commercial and environmental benefits - the reduction in emissions is fully consistent with our environ-

mental policy." BP Energy operates 12 CHP plants around Britain for both industrial and public sector clients. These include Nestle, in York, and ECC International. in Cornwall.

The plants use the full range and power plants."

of fuels and comprise gas turhines, steam turbines and gas and fuel oil engines. Heinz has also negotiated gas supplies of 13 million therms a year from BP Gas for the Heinz site at Kitt Green.

Richard Olver, deputy chief executive of BP Exploration. yesterday said: "This development is fully consistent with the Covernment's fresh initiative to encourage British companies to maximise the economic and environmental advantages of combined heat

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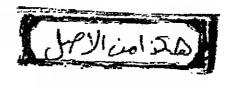
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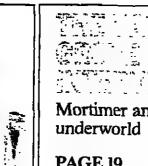
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SPORT, DANGER AND THE COURTS Libby Purves says risk is part of any adventure

Which degree wins the highest salary?



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My children want me here, UN is told

# 'Save the planet' plea to world leaders by Blair

FROM PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR, IN NEW YORK

TONY BLAIR yesterday called on world leaders to save the planet for their children and grandchildren. He urged them to match Britain's ambitious target of cutting greenhouse gas emissions by a fifth within 13 years.

In a plea to 70 heads of government at the United Nations in New York the Prime Minister used his family to press home his message that the big industrial nations such as America would fail future generations unless they stopped the "special pleading" and acted now.

Arriving in New York from the

Denver "G8" summit — where Japan and America provoked anger by resisting targets for reducing greenhouse gases — Mr Blair spoke of the European Union's "challenging" target of cutting carbon dioxide emissions by 15 per cent below their 1990 level by 2010. He added that Britain was ready to go further by adopting a 20 per cent target.

But Mr Blair struck a distinctly personal note at the biggest world gathering he has yet addressed. He usually keeps his children out of the limelight. However, he said that this was his fifth international meeting young children complained that he was never at home. But if there is one summit they would want me at, it is this one," he said.

He underlined his commitment to the environment and tackling world poverty by heading a powerful British delegation, which included John Prescott, his deputy, Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, and Clare Short, the International Development Minister. The conference is reviewing progress since the Rio Earth Summit five years ago.

Mr Blair promised "significant" measures — including more efficient use of transport, improved energy

Britain's Tim Henman swept

through his first round match in

straight sets on the new No.1 court yesterday after it was inaugurated

on the opening day of the Wimble-

don championships by a parade of

former winners.

The cheering 11,000 crowd, including girlfriend Lucy Heald and fans sporting Union Jacks painted on their faces, saw the British No 14 seed win a rain-interrupted match

in one hour, 44 minutes. Applause

greeted almost every move of his as

he survived a tie-break in the

opening set to defeat Daniel Nestor

Earlier, 10 former champions

spanning half a century and 41

singles titles were welcomed by nostalgic spectators. The line-up was led by Louise Brough, four-time winter between 1948 and 1955,

followed by Rod Laver, Margaret Court, Billie-Jean King, John

Newcombe, Chris Evert, Martina

of Canada 7-6,6-1,6-4.

Henman introduces

new court in style

By Stephen Farrell, Joanna Bale and John Goodbody

conservation, and greater use of renewable sources of energy to help Britain to reach the target. Ministers also privately accept that green taxes, particularly on fuel, will rise as the Government tries to encourage people to use public transport.

Mr Blair's aides responded to scepticism over the 20 per cent objective by emphasising that the Prime Minister, by his cabinet appointments, had shown how serious he was. Mr Prescott, head of the super environment-transport ministry, and a long-standing advocate of a properly integrated transport system, was reported to be passionate about the Government's commitment, and already driving forward

the agenda.
Although Mr Blair was unspecific in his address, other ministers referred to measures such as greater use of bus lanes, requiring companies to increase their energy efficiency, cutting down energy waste, particularly using waste heat from power stations, and increasing the attraction of public transport.

At a meeting earlier with the heads of some of the leading environmental pressure groups, Mr protection of forests and the oceans. and providing clean water should be world environmental priorities.

He acknowledged the obvious disappointment among environmentalists about the Denver summit's outcome, but insisted that progress had been made in making the developed countries understand that they had to show a lead to the

developing world.

Mr Blair also backed the international target of reducing absolute poverty in the world by 2015. In his speech, he announced that Britain would increase its development assistance for forestry management

Becker and Pete Sampras.

The ten champions, all of whom

had won three or more individual

titles, were each presented with a

silver commemorative trophy by the

Duke of Kent, President of the All

England Lawn Tennis Club, on a

flags of all 58 nationalities taking

part in the IIIth championships

lined the court as the announcer, John Barrett, paid tribute to the champions' achievements, calling

Laver "on his record, arguably the

greatest of all men's champions".

The new court, costing an estimated

£50-£75million, seats 11,432, 5,000

more than its predecessor. Four

storeys high, it is countersunk into the hillside on the north side of the

Wimbledon complex to avoid over-

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Photograph, page 26 Tennis, pages 48,49,50,52

shadowing Centre Court.

Ball boys and girls bearing the

red carpet laid across the grass.

and provide new benchmarks for the regeneration of forests. "It takes less than an hour to fell a tree. It can take a life time to replace it," he said.

But Mr Blair then criticised countries that had failed to deliver on the Rio targets, saying: "Our targets will not be taken seriously by the poorer countries until the richer ones are meeting them." He added, in a clear warning to America and Japan: "We are all in this together. No country can opt out of global warming, or fence in its own private climate. We need common action to save our common environment."

He said that at the Kyoto environmental conference in December, there must be "legally binding" targets for reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. "The biggest responsibility falls on those countries with the biggest emissions."

Returning to his theme of saving the world for the next generations, he added: "If we fail at Kyoto, we fail our children, because the consequences will be felt in their lifetime.

This Earth is the only planet in the solar system with an environment that can sustain life. Our solemn duty as leaders of the world and to hand on to our children and grandchildren an environment that will enable them to enjoy the same

full life that we took for granted," Speaking later at the United Nations. Mr Cook forecast that there would be wars over water unless tension was defused. He said: "I firmly believe the environment is going to rise higher on the international agenda. I see it as being of the first importance to the world as a

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Pound at five-year

high against mark

The pound surged to a post-ERM high as interest rate and Budget

worries continued to dominate the

markets. It reached a five-year high

against the German mark. climbing from DM2.8647 to DM2.8673.

dollar, rising a cent to close at \$1.6647, while its trade weighted

index also reached a new post-ERM

record of 10L5, up 0.3 on the day.

Traders expect the pound to push towards DM2.90 soon. But the

stock market slipped again with the

FTSE 100 closing down 18.1 points

Korea set to invest

£5bn in Britain

Korea is to invest up to £5 billion in

Britain over the next five years.

Downing Street said after talks on

the fringes of the New York summi

between Tony Blair and Kim

Young Sam, the Korean President,

that Korea considers Britain to be

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It was also disclosed that the

Queen will make a state visit to the Korean capital of Seoul in 1999.

Sterling also made ground on the



Dr Rachel Padman, who says she is willing to resign if colleagues are unhappy about her

## All-women Newnham split on don who had sex change

THE sole remaining all-female college at Cambridge University
has broken 126 years of tradition by admitting to its fellowship a woman who started life as a man.

The decision to admit Dr Rachel Padman, 43, as a fellow of Newnham College has caused discord among senior academics, including Germaine Greer, the leading feminist who is a member of

the college's governing body.

Although Dr Padman, a physicist specialising in star formation, underwent a sex-change operation to become a woman in 1982, legally she remains a man. According to the statutes of the college, which was founded in 1871, all fellows must be women.

Although Dr Padman advised Dr Onora O'Neil, Newnham's Principal, of her past before taking up her fellowship last October, news is only now beginning to circulate in the college. The issue has caused disharmony and brought distress to Dr Padman, who is a committed and well liked teacher.

Dr Greer, who admires Dr Padman's work, is horrified that she has been admitted as a fellow because of the apparent breach of college statutes. "We have driven a coach and horses through our statutes and I can't believe we did it. It's disgraceful that Dr Padman has been placed in this situation. It makes me very angry," she said.

Although Dr Greer regards sexchange operations as mutilations.



Greer: "We feel we have been made monkeys of"

her opposition is based on principles not personality, she said.
I like Dr Padman. We all know she is a distinguished physicist, but what is the point of having clear statutes if we just ignore them? We should have answered these questions before her appointment. We have to be true to the spirit of the original bequest to the college as a women's college for women."

Dr Greer said her position was supported by a number of senior colleagues. "Our position is not that Dr Padman should resign but that she should never have been placed in this situation in the first place. The dignity of the college is marred by this unfortunate event."

She added that many members of the governing body, which includes

Padman's change of sex. "Dr Padman's past was kept secret from us on the governing body. We were told by people outside the college making fun of Newnham and, frankly, we feel we have been made monkeys of." Dr Greer, whose first instinct was to resign, is now considering calling an emergency meeting of the governing body to discuss the matter.
Dr O'Neil, who became Principal

in 1992, declined to discuss the legality of Dr Padman's appointment. "I am not a lawyer," she said. Dr Padman's status was known to senior staff who wholeheartedly support her, Dr O'Neil said. "Dr Padman's change of state is ancient history. Furthermore it is not secret. covert or unknown among col-leagues. Naturally, there will be some colleagues who know more and some who know less. I continue to give all the fellows my full support," she said.

support," she said.
Dr Padman, who, like Dr Greer,
was born in Australia, said she
would consider resigning if colleagues were unhappy with her position at the college. "If I thought there were any significant number of women in the college who were. despite what I perceived, unhappy about me being there because of my past, then I would resign. Obviously. I don't want to go because it would be losing something I love. It is an exhibarating feeling being surrounded by clever and intelligent women," she said. Dr Padman Continued on page 2, col 7

#### Labour halts foreign aid with strings

BY ANDREW PIERCE AND NICK NUTTALL

THE link between Britain's £2 billion overseas aid budget and domestic sales of arms and construction projects is to be severed by the Government.

The decision, announced yesterday by Clare Short, the International Development Secretary, to stop using the aid budget for "trade sweeteners" triggered a controversy over British jobs versus ethics.

In one of the most radical steps taken by the Labour Government, investment in the "tiger" economies of Asia will be halted. The money will be concentrated on the poorest. The diseased and starving of Africa will get priority.

The connection to British commercial considerations in the 35-year-old overseas aid programme was built in by he Thatcher Government in 1980. But Ms Short decided that the link should be broken.

Tory MPs fear that the move could jeopardise thousands of jobs in the construction and arms industry. More than 50 per cent of the overseas aid spending is linked directly to sales of British products, services and XDertise

Nigel Evans, the MP for Ribble Valley whose biggest employer is British Aerospace. said: "Labour sounds more and more sinister when it walks on to the high moral ground." He said aid-receiving count in could misinterpret in "buy anywhere"

policy.

But Robert Archer, a member of the policy team at Christian Aid which works extensively in Africa, said: "I am delighted that aid should be given on merit and not tied to domestic sales."

Ms Short said countries receiving British aid will no longer be forced to buy British products such as Land Rovers. She said the way in which British aid had been run under the previous Government had been wasteful and worked against helping the world's poorest. The previous policy, which tied receiving countries into spending up to 60 per cent of the grant on British goods, "distorted what you could spend".

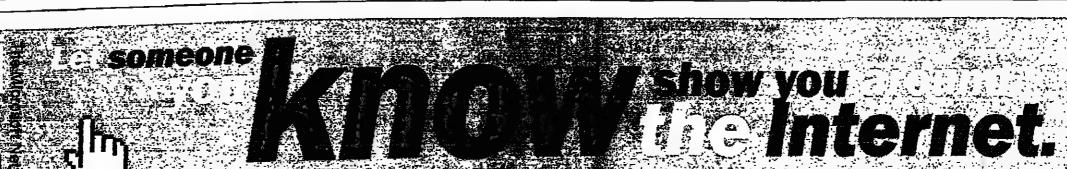
The new policy will target more aid in Africa and will focus spending on education, health and drinking water schemes. Aid to Africa will be increased from £250 million to £350 million over the next

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# The minister for gags cartwheels towards his pratfall

he Commons Chamber yesterday rang to the sound of Labour backbenchers doing donkey imitations: "Eevore! Eeyore!" they brayed, it was what we expect of our representatives, the topic of the afternoon being the Arts and National Heritage.

What had provoked the animal noises? Crispin Blunt, the new Tory MP for Reigate, had asked the first Question on the Order Paper and it fell to the incoming Heritage Secretary, Chris Smith, to reply. On yesterday's showing. Mr Smith has cast off the air of an earnest and slightly flushed

THE British and Irish govern-

ments have agreed a new approach to IRA arms decom-

missioning aimed at breaking

the deadlock in the Northern

Downing Street vesterday

played down claims by John

Bruton, the outgoing Irish

Prime Minister, that the deal,

negotiated over the past three

reeks, amounted to a break-

through. Mr Bruton's asser-

tion came after an un-

scheduled 20-minute meeting

with Tony Blair at the United

Nations environment confer-

Mr Bruton, who stands

down on Thursday, said that

the joint Anglo-Irish paper on

decommissioning could pro-

vide a "rapid forward move-

ment" in the peace process.

Aides travelling with the

Mr Blair was more cautious.

Prime Minister said that to

claim an "agreement" had

been reached overstated the

mark. They made plain that

ence in New York.

Ireland peace process.

crumpled jacket, bicycling around an urban parish, and emerged as a crisp Cabinet Minister, not above landing a kick in an unprotected Tory

The opportunity was provid-

ed by Mr Blunt. Blunt had, Smith told us. "made an unforgettable contribution" to his party's election campaign by remarking that "you could put up a donkey as candidate in Reigate, and still win. Mr Smith stopped short of suggesting that Mr Blunt had proved it. Backbench yobs did not stop short. The eeyores started. Tony Banks looked disappointed not to be allowed

'Breakthrough' in

Ulster deadlock on

IRA disarmament

FROM PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR, IN NEW YORK, AND NICHOLAS WATT



to join in. This notable wag and Labour MP for West Ham has been made a Heritage minister with special responsibilities for sport. A secretly thoughtful man, Banks is also crude, insolent and funny. He now becomes the joker in Tony Blair's pack.

Mr Banks cannot see an opportunity for tomfoolery without taking it. Friends give him until Christmas as a minister. When guiding (say)

Hansard will, however, rean alcoholic or compulsive eater, we would choose routes which did not take them within sight of a bar or bakery.

Banks's civil servants should ensure that their minister does not come within ten yards of a joke, lest he damage himself. As a child, Banks must have been told "it isn't clever and it isn't funny" a million times. We treasure him. Responsible

iournalists close ranks to pre-

On the same principle, Mr

and I will not therefore report that the Sports Minister blew me a kiss as I entered the

port that on being asked a worthy question about Saddleborough Museum by Phil Woolas (Lah. Oldham É. & Saddleworth), Mr Banks proved incapable of being worthy in reply.

Will you pay us a visit to see our beautiful culture in Saddleworth?" asked Woolas. Banks was struggling to keep a straight face. "I do know where it is," he grinned. backbench incredulity. îD

must be serious." he told himself, as he has told himself so many times before. He ired away the grin.

it's the most interesting place to visit in the constituency." He lost it: "Probably the only interesting place." He made a final attempt to

reassert ministerial gravity. telling us that every constituency, including his own in London's East End, contained heritage jewels.

Then levity got the better of him. In Newham "the outfall sewage walk is one of the most treasured in British tourism. And so we leave Mr Banks,

cartwheeling towards the graveyard of his Cabinet

Ah well, pomposity would never have suited him anyway, and for as long as he groans under the whip of collective ministerial responsibility; a free spirit is lost to the world of politics. Spineless young political wannabees are as plentiful as jelly-babies, but there is only one Tony Banks. As I left, he was telling Liz

Blackman (Lab, Erewash) about the Millennium Fund. "That's a matter for the Dome

It isn't clever. Minister, and

#### it isn't funny. Scargill forced to stand down as

By VALERIE ELLIOTT AND RUSSELL JENKINS

welfare chairman

ARTHUR Scargill, president of the National Union of Mineworkers, was yesterday suspended by the Charity Commissioners from his position as chairman of the trustees of two miners' welfare charities.

He was served with the order at the NUM headquarters in Barnsley, south Yorkshire, early yesterday after an investigation by the commission into alleged mismanagement and maladministration of the Yorkshire Miners' Welfare Trust Fund Scheme and the Yorkshire Miners' Welfare Convalescent Homes.

It is understood that the Charity Commission is concerned about a grant of £800,000 from the scheme to the charity, which runs two convalescent homes for ailing and retired mine workers on the coast near Scarborough. There have been complaints that Mr Scargill and his fellow trustees from the NUM pushed through decisions about the cash without proper consultation.

The suspension is the latest blow to Mr Scargill, who has presided over the diminishing ortunes of the NUM and whose Socialist Labour Party was swept aside as a political irrelevance at the general

It is believed that the investigation is linked to Mr Scargill's political opposition to paying costs for certain which used to be covered by the Government. After the pits were sold.

"partnership funding" was introduced. Mr Scargill claims that has resulted in trusts and charities now having to pay half the costs towards projects to help disabled mineworkers and to send miners and their widows to convalescent homes.

After a meeting with law-yers yesterday, Mr Scargill attacked the former Concervative government and blamed coal privatisation for the problems surrounding the charities: He insisted that the trustees of the miners' welfare scheme, including those nominated by British Coal, agreed unanimously in May 1995 that it was in the best interests of the trust and its beneficiaries not to accept "partnership funding.

Mr Scargill said: "The trustees, including myself as chairman, have continued to take advice from the trusts' legal advisers ... and are satisfied that at all times the trustees and I have acted in the best interests of the beneficiaries."

The commission is apparently concerned that Mr Scargill's approval of the transfer of a grant of £800,000 from the welfare trust scheme to the convalescent homes effectively rendered the money unavailable for use in partnership-funded schemes.

PM, could disappear under the BBC's plans for a fundamental shake-up of the station. The popular early evening news magazine which began in 1970, has been identified as a possible weak spot in the schedule and is being reviewed by the controller James Boyle.

BBC insiders say Mr Boyle and PM's editor Kevin Marsh, who also edits The World at One, are discussing affairs show too far". Some executives have suggested that since it is immediately followed by the six o'clock news, it represents too much current affairs. They may replace it with a lighter discussion programme.

PM news

may go in Radio 4

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#### Claim settled

A former Wren who lodged. an industrial tribunal claim against the Royal Navy after 15 months of verbal and sexual harassment agreed an out-of-court settlement yesterday believed to be worth about £80,000.

In a case backed by the Equal Opportunities Commission, the 27-year-old woman claimed that she had been reduced to a state ofsevere stress and depression.

#### Don's pay protest

A Cambridge lecturer hasbrought the university's budget to a standstill as part of a campaign for a more wideranging promotion system for dons. Gillian Evans, a medieval historian, has forced a ballot on the £142 m spending. plans, due to be passed on Friday, which will delay acceptance until the autumn. The university saisd the "minor inconvenience" would notprevent payment of salaries.

#### Optical illusion

Opticians claiming for speciacles not supplied or tests not. carried out are the biggest cheats in the National Health Service, defrauding it of millions of pounds a year, accord-

ing to a survey.
Smaller opticians say they do this to be competitive with bigger chains," said John Flook, of the Healthcare Financial Management Associ-

#### produced the report. Obesity cure

Two children may be cured of obesity at Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, with reguar injections of the hormone leptin. Doctors discovered that a rare genetic mutation prevents them from making leptin, which tells the brain the size of the fat stores in the body, and helps to control the amount eaten. A similar mutation was discovered in mice by a team at Rockefeller

#### University, New York Insecticide case

A farmhand who says he suffered mental impairment because of exposure to an organophosphate insecticide launched a claim against his former employers for more than £50.000 in damages in

the High Court yesterday. John Hill, 60, of Wood newlori. Northamptonshire, claims that bouts of memory loss were caused by spraying for William Tomkins Ltd. The case continues.

#### Rapid return Guests on the inaugural run

of the 100mph Heathrow Express spent 40 minutes waiting to be towed back to the depot when the train broke down. The new train, one of 14 being built at a cost of £440 million, had just left the depot near Acton, northwest London, when it suffered a power failure. Passengers included BAA's chief executive. Sir John Egan, and senior airline officials.

#### The Guardian has asked special status." Children keep Blair on green path

By James Landale and Polly Newton

TONY BLAIR'S disclosure in New York yesterday of his children's interest in green issues reflects the growing impor tance of the environment as a political issue among young people.

The Prime Minister said that although his children complained he was never at home because of a string of international meetings, they had told him that the Earth Summit was the most important. This is another policy which Mr Blair says must pass the "Euan test", namely whether it will meet with the approval of his 13-year-old son. He recently said that plans for the Millennium Festival in Greenwich should be exciting enough to attract his children.

the country since he became Prime Minister eight weeks ago. He makes no secret of the fact that he misses his children - Euan. Nicholas, II, and Kathryn, 9 - and they are in his thoughts, "I speak to you not just as the new British Prime Minister, but as a father," he told the United Nations

yesterday. Downing Street sources said ministers were aware of the importance of the environment to young people and said that the Government's approach reflected that. "We recognise that the Government must start listening to young people and start acting on what they say," one

paign, but it is at the top of many people's political agenda."

A spokesman for Friends of the Earth said: "By far the majority of our inquiries are from young people. They have become very disillusioned with the way things were going." Most of the people protesting against road and airport projects were young, he said. However, most young people appeared to favour single-issue pressure groups rather than party policies.

An important part of the Government's plans to take people off the dole is to use part of the revenue raised from the proposed windfall tax on an environmental task force. Labour believes that every government department must promote policies to sustain the environment.



Scargill: pit sell-off blamed for charities' problems

#### whatever the two governments agreed had to be acceptable to the main parties in Northern Ireland. They pointed out that the Unionists still wanted the IRA to start decommissioning before Sinn Fein's entry to the talks. That is not acceptable to the SDLP, which believes that decommissioning should start only once

there is substantial progress in the talks. However, the Northern Ireland Office confirmed that the two governments had finalised a paper on decommissioning and Mr Blair is expected to outline the details in a Commons statement tomorrow. Downing Street said that the Prime Minister was trying to move the peace

process forward. Mo Mowlam, the Northern Ireland Secretary, confirmed last night that the two governments had reached agreement on a joint decommissioning paper. "I am pleased we have now developed a set of 'possible conclusions' which we

#### Woman suspect in IRA killing

A woman in her 20s may have been part of the IRA gang that shot dead two police officers in Lurgan, Co Armagh. Detectives yesterday appealed for information about the woman who was seen pulling a shopping basket in the town centre before the shooting. The woman was dressed as though middle-aged. Constable John Graham and Constable David Johnston were shot last Monday.

believe could win general support," she said. "These proposals are not specifically a response to any questions posed by Sinn Fein. It has been clear from the outset that the multi-party negotiations had to address the issue of decommissioning and that is the agenda item we need to complete within the coming weeks if substantive negotia tions are to commence in the

Mr Blair will be cautious about being seen to meet Sinn Fein demands so soon after the Lurgan killings of two police officers. He has been pleased by the apparently hanging mood in the United States towards Sinn Fein. He spoke in New York yesterday to Al Gore, the American Vice-President, and half of their 30minute meeting was devoted to Northern Ireland.

Mr Blair is to meet David Trimble, the Ulster Unionist Party leader, and his deputy, John Taylor, at Downing Street today; and, later, John Hume, leader of the nationalist SDLP. He wants to consult them before his statement on Wednesday, in which he is expected to spell out what the Government put to Sinn Fein before the Lurgan killings.

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Police expected | Newnham to seek interview with Aitken By MICHAEL HORSNELL

SCOTLAND Yard officers investigating allegations of perjury are this week expected to seek an interview with Jona-

than Aitken, the disgraced former Cabinet minister. As the former Chief Secretary to the Treasury remained in hiding after capitulating in his High Court libel action against The Guardian and Granada Television on Friday, police studied the case purers and other evidence provided by the two organ-

sations. Mr Aitken, 54, who faces costs of £2 million, is meanwhile the subject of a growing clamour to strip him of his status as a Privy Counsellor. Ann Taylor, leader of the Commons and Lord President of the Privy Council, is understood to have discussed his position with officials before the monthly meeting of the

council later this week. Senior Conservatives are privately calling on Mr Aitken to resign from the council, the Queen's circle of advisers, to

prevent more embarrassment. Only the Queen has the power to strip a Privy Counsel-lor of his office but she acts on the advice of the Prime Minister and the Privy Council.

police for charges of conspiracy to pervert the course of justice to be considered against not only Mr Aitken. but his wife, Lolicia, his daughter, Victoria, 17, and Said Ayas, his Saudi business partner. All made witness statements corroborating the former MP's account of a visit to the Ritz hotel in Paris, which was shown to be false.

dence on his behalf. Mrs Aitken - Mr Aitken announced before the end of the trial that they are separating - was to have textilied that she had paid the hotel bill in cash after a family weekend in Paris, but it emerged during the hearing that it was paid by Prince Mohammed bin Fahd of Saudi Arabia and she and her daughter had been in Geneva at the time.

and were to have given evi-

Sources in Paris confirmed yesterday that Mr Ayas, principal aide to Prince Mohammed, has been detained in Saudi Arabia for three weeks under the orders of the prince. Mr Ayas is said to have been anxious to give evidence at the libel trial but was flown back to Saudi Arabia to brief the prince, where he was arrested to save the Saudi royal family

was initially reluctant to join Newnham because of her operation and rejected the first letter of approach from Dr

"I wrote back to her saying that there was this in my past and that I wouldn't want to bring the college's name into disrepute. I said I didn't think me joining was a good idea,"

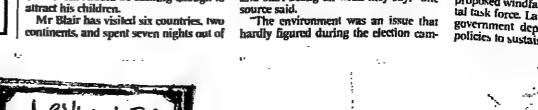
Dr O'Neil replied saying she was already aware of Dr Padman's sex change and again inviting her to join the

Last October Dr Padman took part in a ceremony at the Principal's Lodge admitting her to the fellowship. She swore an oath promising to uphold the Newnham's best

interests. One way to resolve the situation could be for Newnham to vote to admir men as fellows, Dr Greer said. The last time the issue was debated in 1990, it was rejected by a small majority.

If there were to be a vote, however. Dr Padman said she would oppose the admission of men. "Newnham is the only college I would like to be associated with because of its special status. I like women and I like the idea of an allwomen environment.

"If there is another vote i would want to keep Newnham single sex. I think the admission of men would lead to a diminution of opportunities for women in Cambridge and I want to keep the college's



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# Second resignation as hospital admits blame for smear-test death

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A HOSPITAL admitted yesterday that a woman probably died because staff failed to notice from a smear test that she was suffering from cancer. More than 50 other cases claiming damages for failure to report the tests properly are

The admission of asponsibility for came as the Government ordered an independent review of failures in the Kent and Canter-

testing programme and as James Bird, chairman of the NHS trust, announced he was following his chief executive, Edward Pearson, into early retirement.

Mr Bird said in a statement that organisational changes "and the need to recover from the impact of the recent cervical-screening problems" had led to his decision. His retirement from the end of September followed an announcement from the hospital's solicitors "that on the balance of probability the

the negative reporting of a slide".

The statement said the case was not straightforward because the cancer was unusually aggressive and it was impossible to say with absolute certainty that misreporting led to the patient's death. "The trust has admitted liability because it is anxious to deal with the case promptly and sympathetically, with a view to early settlement and

to avoid lengthy legal proceedings."
Five other cases involving women who died of cancer after

smear tests at the hospital are pending as well as a further 47 cases of women who are still alive after treatment. An East Kent Health Authority spokesman said last night that it had already agreed there would be a quick outof-court settlement in every case where independent tests showed there had been misreporting of the original smear slide. "We do not want these people to have to go to the extra trauma of a court

hearing," the spokesman said.

The health authority ordered the

largest rescreening in British med-ical history in February last year after concerns about the accuracy of the tests at the hospital. Independent laboratories studied 91,000 slides that had been reported negative between 1990 and 1995. More than 5,500 women were recalled for further tests, which found that 1,300 women were

wrongly given the all clear. The national target for reading smear tests correctly is 85 per cent, but at the Kent hospital that had fallen to 81 per cent, with evidence low as 66 per cent. Recent research suggests that about 30 other hospital trusts perform no better.

Announcing that he would lead the independent inquiry, Sir Wil-liam Wells, chairman of the South Thames Region of the NHS Executive, said there would be "a rapid but thorough review of exactly what went wrong and why." The work would be finished by September when a report will be sent

to Baroness Jay, the Health Minis-

confidence in local cervical screening services has been damaged by these failures," Sir William said. "1 am determined that any lessons to be learnt from the Kent and Canterbury experience are learnt so that public confidence can be

Smear tests are no longer carried out at Kent and Canterbury and the hospital's £298,000 con-tract to do 62,500 tests a year has been awarded to the William Harvey Hospital at Ashford.

# ter in charge of cancer testing. Police step up hunt for murderer of the little girl with the big voice

A MURDERED music student was remembered by her family last night as "the little girl with the big voice" as police stepped up the search

Ryan McEwan-King, 22 who was 4ft Sin and weighed 5 stone, was sexually assaulted and strangled as she walked to her flat in Northampton at the weekend. She was studying music and drama at the town's Nene College and expected her final examination results tomorrow.

Her parents, Robin, 54, and Margaret, 52, farmers from Nemphlar, South Lanarkshire, were told of her murder at the Royal Highland Show, where they had won a prize for sheep that their daughter had helped them to prepare. They last saw her alive two weeks ago on her birthday, and she spoke to them on the telephone the night before she died.

Mr McEwan-King said last ight: "She had such a beautiful voice." His daughter was due to graduate in a fort-

night's time after completing her three-year college course." A murder inquiry involving 70 police officers was launched on Saturday afternoon when Miss McEwan-King's body

was found near a bowling green in The Racecourse park. She was naked but for six rings on her fingers. Her killer appears to have lain in wait for his victim. Police moved two women

out of the flat in Northampton they shared with Miss McEwan-King, because her door keys were stolen by the

Detective Chief Inspector David Armiger described yesterday how Miss McEwan-King went out last Friday night to visit the Romany public house in Northampton where she regularly performed as a karaoke singer. She arrived by taxi at 8.30pm but left just before she was due to sing at about 10pm and went to the nearby Frog and Fiddler, another karaoke pub. She left at 11.30am to take the

up and walked to the centre five-minute walk home across and sat on a stool. She waited the park. Two residents living near until the audience was quiet: where her body was found in a even then she could hold an

person."

hedge heard a woman's screams between 11.30pm and midnight on Friday. Neither called the police. Miss McEwan-King's body was found by a woman walking her dog on Saturday at

Detectives also know that many people had walked past the spot without realising that Miss McEwan-King's body was in the bushes. On Saturday, Matthew and Jane Rawson had wedding pictures taken near the hedge where the body was found. Police say there have been a

number of incidents of indecent exposure in Her father said last night:

"Music was her first love. She was extremely gifted. One of the things I remember about Ryan was during a service at only five years old and she got

> Bernie Clarke, the landlady of the Romany, said Miss McEwan-King was such a titchy little thing that it wouldn't have taken anything to harm her, one slap would

Alan Murdoch, landlord of the Frog and Fiddler, said: You get a lot of singers at karaoke nights but she was one of the best - I can still see that face and that incredible voice coming out of that tiny little body."



Ryan McEwan-King, 22, who from the age of five could captivate an audience

#### Husband put rival's clothes in cesspit

By A STAFF REPORTER

THE owner of a country guesthouse dumped a customer's clothes into a cessoit after he discovered the man was having an affair with his wife.

Maurice Findlay told the court how Anthony Terry, 49, a salesman, was a regular bed-and-breakfast guest at his farmhouse. One night Findlay, a sign-writer, returned home to find the salesman in bed with his wife, Kathy. The couple had a furious row and Mrs Findlay, 49, banished her husband to another bedroom.

Mark Layton, for the defence, detailed how Findlay had spent years restoring the £150,000 Knox Farm at Keeston, Pembrokeshire, Angered by his wife's infidelity, Findlay gathered up six dustbin bags of Mr Terry's clothes and threw them into a septic

Mr Terry said that the ruined clothing included hand-made Italian suits worth a total of £4,900. But the court refused to make a compensation order after being told that some of it had been discovered at Mr Terry's former home in Ross-on-Wye, Hereford and Worcestershire. The value of the damaged clothes was put at £2,900 by the court and is due to be settled in another hearing.

Findlay admitted criminal damage and was given a conditional discharge by Haverfordwest magistrates yes-terday. Findlay, 50, who called the dean of the local cathedral as a character witness, and his wife are divorcing. She has moved out to live with Mr Terry.

### Suicide pact by | Girl, 7, left to die odd couple who disowned family

A COUPLE, who decided ten years ago, for no apparent reason, to pretend that the daughters they loved no longer existed, have killed themseives because they feared no one would care for them as they grew old.

To neighbours, Walter and Eva Willard were a "smashing couple" but the net curtains of their immaculate semidetached home disguised the turmoil of their strange existence during a marriage which lasted 43 years.

The pair, who prefered to be known as Tony and Doris, shocked their two children. Julia and Sheila, when, without reason or warning, they decided they would never speak to them again. They went to extraordinary lengths to banish them from their

Suddenly, the pair behaved as though their daughters were complete strangers. They no longer sent Christmas cards or birthday presents and would not talk to the women on the telephone. If they happened to meet them when they were shopping, they would not look them in the eye. Neither Mr Willard, 79, or his wife, 78, never set eyes on their four grandchildren. One one occasion Mrs Willard, who was working part-

time at a hospital shop, hid from her granddaughter Annette as she left the maternity ward after giving birth to a

The Racecourse in Northampton, where Miss McEwan-King's body was found

The pair also took sudden and unexplained dislikes against people who had known them for years, ignoring them as they would total strangers. But in spite of their bizarre behaviour, they appeared to most acquaintances to be a fairly normal couple.

While Mrs Willard kept house, her husband, a former accountant, tended the garden of their home in Orpington. southeast London, and spent most mornings polishing his

But as they settled into retirement, they grew increas-ingly alarmed that there would be no one to care for them. Their fear of lonely old age overwhelmed them at the weekend and they killed themselves by attaching a garden hose pipe to the exhaust of the

Their daughter, Julie, 50, who lives with her partner close to her parents' home, said: "There were no arguments or anything like that. They just decided not to speak to us. We were completely ignored. It was as if they just wanted to close that chapter of

# in her room after three-day beating

A GIRL aged seven is thought to have been kept prisoner and beaten for three days at her home in Manchester before she was left to die.

Suzanne Rarity's body was discovered on Saturday night in her bedroom in the terraced house in Moss Side she shared with her mother and nineyear-old brother, Sandy.

Police confirmed last night that she suffered a "sustained and severe assault" at the hands of her killer. Detectives have set up a murder incident room and are looking for a man who moved in with the dead girl's mother, Angela Rarity, three months ago.

He vanished from the house, leaving behind a ram-



bling note, which apparently referred to missing property and told her to call the paramedics because there was nothing that could be done for Suzanne. Her body was found hidden under the bedclothes in her room.

Suzanne had not been seen outside the house for several days. She had apparently been held captive during that time and punched, kicked and abused. A port-mortem examination showed she had died from multiple injuries.

The family moved to Moss Side a year ago. Ms Rarity is who lives in Glasgow with the couple's eldest child. Neighbours said she worked as a cleaner and her children, who attended Wilbraham Infants School, used to play in the street with other children until the new boyfriend moved in three months ago.

Detective Superintendent

Arthur Provost, the man leading the murder hunt, said:
"We are dealing with a susrained attack on a defenceless and vulnerable seven-year-old child which has tragically ended in her death. Our sympathies are with the relatives of this little girl."

Last night, Ms Rarity was

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#### Radio 1 looks back in anger over Oasis bit more magnanimous about it," he said. By CAROL MIDGLEY

MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

BBC RADIO I is involved in a war of words with a small Scottish radio station after it was beaten in the battle to be the first to broadcast the long-awaited new

single by Oasis.
Radio l DJs publicly accused Forth FM of skulduggery after the station scooped the BBC's exclusive first broadcast of Oasis's much-hyped D'you know what I mean?

Oasis's record company. Creation, had promised Radio I a world exclusive on the single, the group's first record for a year. In return, Radio l is playing it every hour as well as the three other tracks on the EP. However, 35 minutes

before it was played by Radio I's Jo Whiley, Forth FM in Edinburgh stole the BBC's thunder by playing the track, which executives had secretly acquired. Lawyers for Oasis are trying to

establish where the leak occured. Radio 1 DJs, meanwhile, launched a furious attack on the commercial station. On his morning show, Simon Mayo said bitterly: The new Oasis single — you heard it here last."

Jay Crawford, head of music at Forth FM, said that executives in Scotland had been staggered by the vindictiveness of the BBC's response. He said that he had acquired a copy of the single by calling in

"We really are surprised that an organisation the size of Radio I can't be a

They really are very bad losers and think they have God-given rights. The suggestion that we somehow recorded the song off Radio I is ridiculous since they first broadcast it at 12.45pm on Friday and we broadcast it 35 minutes earlier at 12.10pm.

"Now I have got Oasis's lawyers on to me asking where the leak is in their security. Radio I is under so much pressure due to falling audiences, it just can't take it. The station really is a minority broadcaster up here."

Radio I said: "We had an agreement

with Creation that we got it first. We have heard there was another station which played it before us but we don't know where they go, it from."

# Girl's peace plea to Blair wins her a day off school

By Nicholas Watt, Chief Ireland Correspondent

A GIRL from Belfast who moved Tony Blair with a powerful plea for peace said yesterday that she was astonished when the Prime Minister quoted from her letter on American television.

Margaret Gibney, a 12-yearold Protestant from the Shankill area, said she never believed that her simple message would strike a chord with the Prime Minister. She said she hoped that the publicity from her heartfelt plea would encourage the IRA to restore

Margaret was fêted by staff and fellow pupils at Mount Gilbert Community Callege in told ABC television that her

resolve to achieve peace in college to world leaders and Northern Ireland. As she walked through the corridors of the college from one media interview to another, a teacher shouted out: "You're a star!"

Margaret wrote the letter as part of a school project. She also wrote to the Irish pop band Boyzone. "I haven't got a reply from them yet, but that would be even better." she

In the letter to Downing Street last month, she wrote: live in the Shankill Road district of Belfast, an area that has seen a lot of trouble. In my whole life I have only had one year of peace, so peace is very

The letter was one of scores sent by first-year pupils at the

prominent figures in the Uni-Kingdom and Ireland asking for their views about peace. The pupils asked the recipients to send back a poem for peace and a photograph to be displayed on a Peace Wall

at the back of their classroom.

Downing Street said yesterday that Mr Blair had selected the words to The Green Fields of France. an anti-war song recorded by, among others, the Fureys about Willie McBride, a young soldier who died in the First World War.

Margaret, who was excused classes yesterday as she fielded calls from the world's media and Downing Street, said she hoped that terrorists would listen to her plea. She

said that she was desperate for the IRA to abandon its terrorist campaign because of the transformation of Belfast during the 18-month ceaselire. The peace was so good hecause we could go shopping in town without worrying. But now I'm dead scared and I have to stay in my own area."

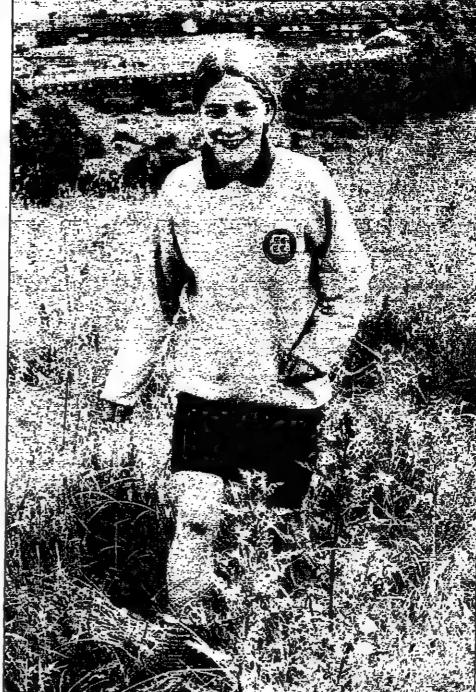
The school's Peace Wall features an array of letters and poems from across the world. Hillary Clinton told the pupils that she was moved by the warmth and goodwill of the Irish people" on her visit to Belfast with President Clinton in November 1995.

she wrote.

Gerry Adams, the Sinn Fein President, and the broadcaster Sir David Frost both selected the W.B. Yeats poem, The Lake Isle of Innisfree, for the Peace Wall. It contains the memorable line "peace comes dropping slow".

John Bruton, the Irish Prime Minister, quoted from King George V's speech in Belfast City Hall at the State Opening of the Northern Ireland Parliament in June 1921. The King said: "I appeal to all frishmen to pause, stretch out the hand of forbearance and conciliation, to lorgive and lorget, and to join in making for the land which they love a new era of peace, contentment and goodwill."

David Ervine, spokesma for the Progressive Unionist Party, the political wing of the Ulster Volunteer Force, sent the Siegfried Sassoon poem



Margaret Gibney, who says she is desperate for the IRA to renew its ceasefire

#### POEMS FOR PEACE

Tony Blair chose The Green Fields of And a small cabin build there, of clay and France, by Eric Bogle (1st verse)

Well how do you do young Willie McBride, Do you mind if I sit here down by your

And rest for a while neath the warm Summer I've been working all day and I'm nearly done. I see by your gravestone you were only

When you joined the great fallen in nineteen I hope you died well and I hope you died

Or young Willie McBride was it slow and

☐ Gerry Adams chose: The Lake Isle of Innisfree, by W.B. Yeats (extract) I will arise and go now, and go to Innisfree,

watties made: Nine bean-rows will I have there, a hive for

the honey-bee And live alone in the bee-loud glade.

And I shall have some peace there, for peace comes dropping slow.

Dropping from the veils of the morning to

where the cricket sings; There midnight's all a glimmer, and noon a purple glow, And evening full of the linner's wings.

☐ David Ervine, spokesman of the Progressive Unionist Party, chose Suicide in the Trenches, by Siegfried Sassoon

You smug-faced crowds with kindling eye Who cheer when soldier lads march by. Sneak home and pray you'll never know The hell where youth and laughter go.

#### Unmarried mothers 'killed war babies'

By AUDREY MAGEE, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

UNMARRIED mothers turned to murdering their newborn babies in ireland during the Second World War, after travel restrictions prevented them from going to Britain for abortions, according to a film premiered in Dublin last night.

Back-street abortions had been easier to obtain in Britain, but Ireland's wartime neurality meant the journey was no longer possible. According to the documentary Infanticide in Modern Ireper year to about ten after

Infanticide in Modern Ireland, said: "If the woman had successfully concealed the pregnancy and had the child, she would do anything to stop being found out." Drowning and smothering

used to kill newborn infants. Alexis Guilbride, on whose research the documentary was largely based, said that almost all of the babies killed were illegitimate. Until 1949 the punishment for infanticide was death. At least two women were sentenced to hang by the Central Criminal

The introduction of the 1949 Infanticide Act reduced the penalty from murder to manslaughter if the woman was considered insane.

In most cases after 1949, the murder charge was reduced to unlawful concealment of a death, and the women were sentenced to work in the laundry houses of the Magdalen convents, the last of which closed in Dublin only last

went into the convents remained there for the rest of

#### **Scandals** blamed for fall in numbers at Mass

By RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

A SERIES of sex scandals has badly damaged the authority of the Roman Catholic Church in Ireland and contributed to a large fall in Mass attendance, lished this month.

Freedom of Religion and Belief charts the weakening dominance of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It says that scandals such as the one over Bishop Eamonn Casey, who was revealed to have an 18year-old son, are partly to blame for a drop in Mass attendance of up to 20 per cent

Even so, nearly 92 per cent of the Republic's 3.5 million population are Catholics, and up to 80 per cent of those attend church weekly. Even more damaging than Bishop Casey's resignation in May 1992 has been the rash of child sex abuse scandals that have come to light since mid-1994...

The report, edited by sor Kevin Boyle and Juliet Sheen of Essex University, says that these have precipitated what even official spokesman have described as the worst crisis. faced by the Church in Ireland this century.

The child sex abuse scan-

dals began with the case of a priest convicted of abusing children in his care over nearly 40 years. The case led eventually to the resignation of Albert Reynolds as Prime Minister and the collapse of his Government

More court cases and newspaper exposés of priests abusing children followed. "For a people which had placed such a near-absolute trust in its effect on the Catholic Church's traditional moral authority, the report says.

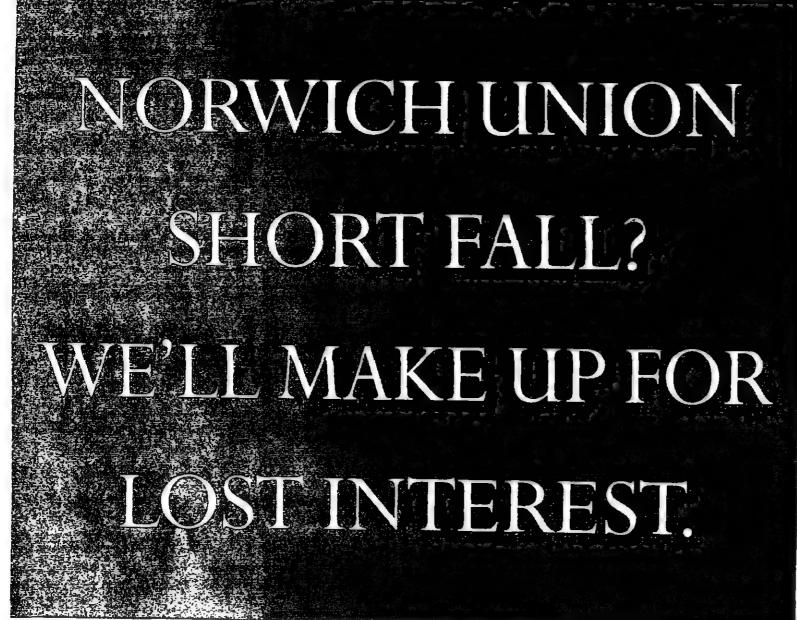
#### CORRECTIONS

☐ The League Against Cruel Sports does not support the use of hounds to flush out foxes for shooting (report, April 4).

☐ The Prime Minister is honorary president of the Commons and Lords Tennis Club; the chairman and club captain is Sir Michael Spicer, MF (report, yesterday).

☐ The Orchard Tea Gardens, Grantchester, Cambridge shire, has not closed (article June !!) and is celebrating its centenary.

☐ The Barbican Centre has eight wheelchair-accessible toilets for disabled patrons visiting the theatres (article, June 17).

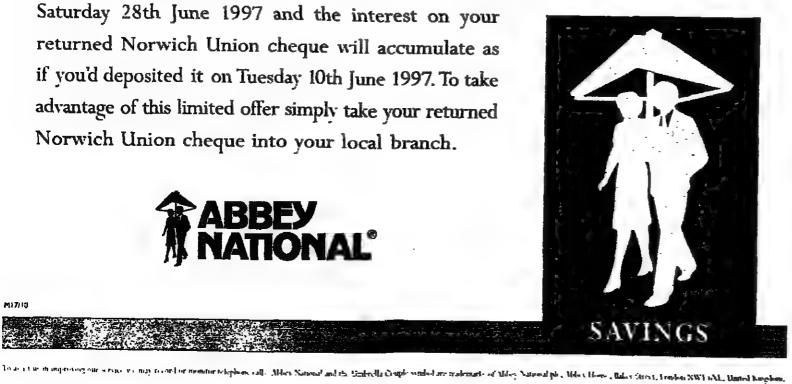


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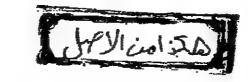
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Scandal

Princess says sorry for family trip to IRA film

By Carol Midgley MF DIA CORRESPONDENT

DIANA, Princess of Wales. issued a public apology yesterday fer she was severely criticised for taking her sons to see a violent film which has been branded as sympathetic

A cinema chain and her local council have begun separate inquiries into why Prince Harry, aged 12, was allowed in to see the 15-certificate film, The Devil's Own. The Princess, who flew to New York for a charity auction of her dresses yesterday, is said to have begged staff to admit him after an usher pointed out that he

was under-age.

Her uder son, Prince William, turned 15 the day before last Sunday's outing. Staff admitted Prince Harry when the Princess pleaded that she could not possibly leave him behind. The Kensington Odeon could lose its licence if Kensington and Chelsea council decides to prosecute under the 1985 Cinemas Act. The Princess cannot be held liable because legal responsibility rests with cinema staff.

Two MPs accused the Princess of acting irresponsibly by



Brad Pitt as an IRA fugitive in The Devil's Own

Brad Pitt as an IRA fugitive in New York, less than a week after two RUC officers were

shot dead in Co Armagh.

The Princess, in her statement, said that she did not know what the film was about before she saw it. But William Ross, Ulster Unionist MP for East Londonderry, said: "She should have inquired first. She should take greater care about what her children see. There have been a number of films in recent years about the IRA which give a twisted view about what is happening in Her Majesty's realm. I think she was unwise,"

The Basingstoke MP An-

the Tory Northern Ireland Committee, described the film as sickening. He said he hoped the Princess had acted responsibly, but added "some will have their doubts".

The statement from Kensington Palace said: "Diana, Princess of Wales, was unaware of the subject matter of the film The Devil's Own, which she saw yesterday with Princes William and Harry. She apologises for any distress which may have been caused by her taking her sons to see this film." had been in

touch with the Prince of Wales over the controversy, a spokessomething we would comment

Mary Weale, chair of the council's environmental services committee, which issues the cinema licences, said there would be a meeting with the cinema management over the reports. She added: "I take a dim view of anyone using their influence, or being influenced, to allow a child to see an unsuitable film."

Ron Hanlon, marketing director for the cinema group, said that the Kensington cine ma was well run and complied with its licence, but that staff on duty during the royal visit had been confronted with an unusual situation. He denied that the royal party had been given special status: "We will have to look at extenuating circumstances."

The Princess and her children would continue to be welcomed at the cinema "so long as they went to the right film". Tickets for the 4.20pm showing on Sunday were booked over the telephone, and a member of staff collected them.

Brad Pitt has condemned the film, calling it "the most irresponsible bit of film-making - if you can even call it



The Princess leaving yesterday for the auction of her dresses in New York

#### **Double** glazing boss is jailed

By A STAFF REPORTER

RICHARD BROWNING de clared that his ambition was to sell more double glazing than anyone else in Britain and to do so he offered windows to his customers for virtually nothing, a court was told

yesterday. His scheme brought a flood of sales but soon fell apart and 6.000 customers lost their money. Browning's company. Guardian Windows, collapsed

with debts of over £6 million. Yesterday Browning, 51, of Milton Keynes, wa: jailed for three years for admitting fraudulent trading.

Derwin Hope, for the prosecution at Bristol Crown Court,

said that in 1990 Browning began selling windows at no apparent cost to customers if they agreed to allow their property to be used as a show home. If they bought five windows costing more than £4,000 and introduced a new customer, the deposit and balance would be refunded.

But the court was told the scheme could only work providing the number of customers meeting all the requirements was limited and by 1992 recession had made it hard to find buyers.

#### How the thriller makers did The Devis Own job

Endless swearing, 30 dead - Peter Foster

on the Sunday outing of a Prince aged 12

THE Devil's Own contains gritty scenes of violence and a steady stream of bad language. The under-age Prince Harry would have seen more than 20 people killed in the film's opening 15 minutes

The opening scene sees IRA gurmen having a shootout with British Army soldiers in Beifast: At one point, a man in a car is shot through the head, spattering the inside of the windscreen with blood. As the firefight continues, several British soldiers are gunned down in the street.

As well as the violence, which is considerably more realistic than in an action caper like a James Bond movie, the film also contains some anti-British scenes. A British intelligence officer is seen to shoot a wounded IRA man in cold blood when he refuses to give information on the whereabouts of his republican comrades.

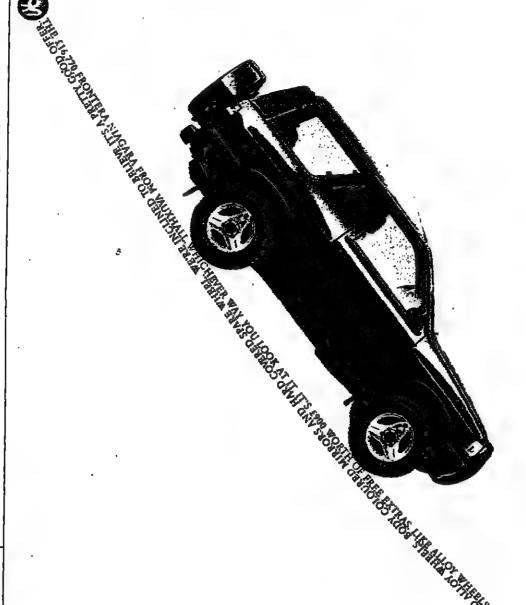
The language used in The Devil's Own is not the sort that would be expected to go down well with Harry's house master. Brad Pitt's character prefixes many of his lines with "bastard", "shit" and sexually explicit swear words.

After the opening scene, the levels of violence fall off as the story moves to the United States, where Pitt's character, an IRA activist, goes to buy missiles to shoot down British Army helicopters.

But when Pitt runs into money trouble with his arms dealer, the violence escalates again. A man is seen being knee-capped, and Pitt's friend is shown gagged with his head gruesomely beaten. By the time the credits roll, at least another ten people have died in graphic fashion.

. At times the film is serious in its treatment of the Troubles, but the only thing that might have saved the Princess's blushes was a complete absence of sex in the story. At no point does Pitt. one of Hollywood's biggest sex symbols, get involved in any comantic action.

At the Kensington Odeon cinema, a sign clearly states that The Devil's Own is "not for persons under the age of 15".





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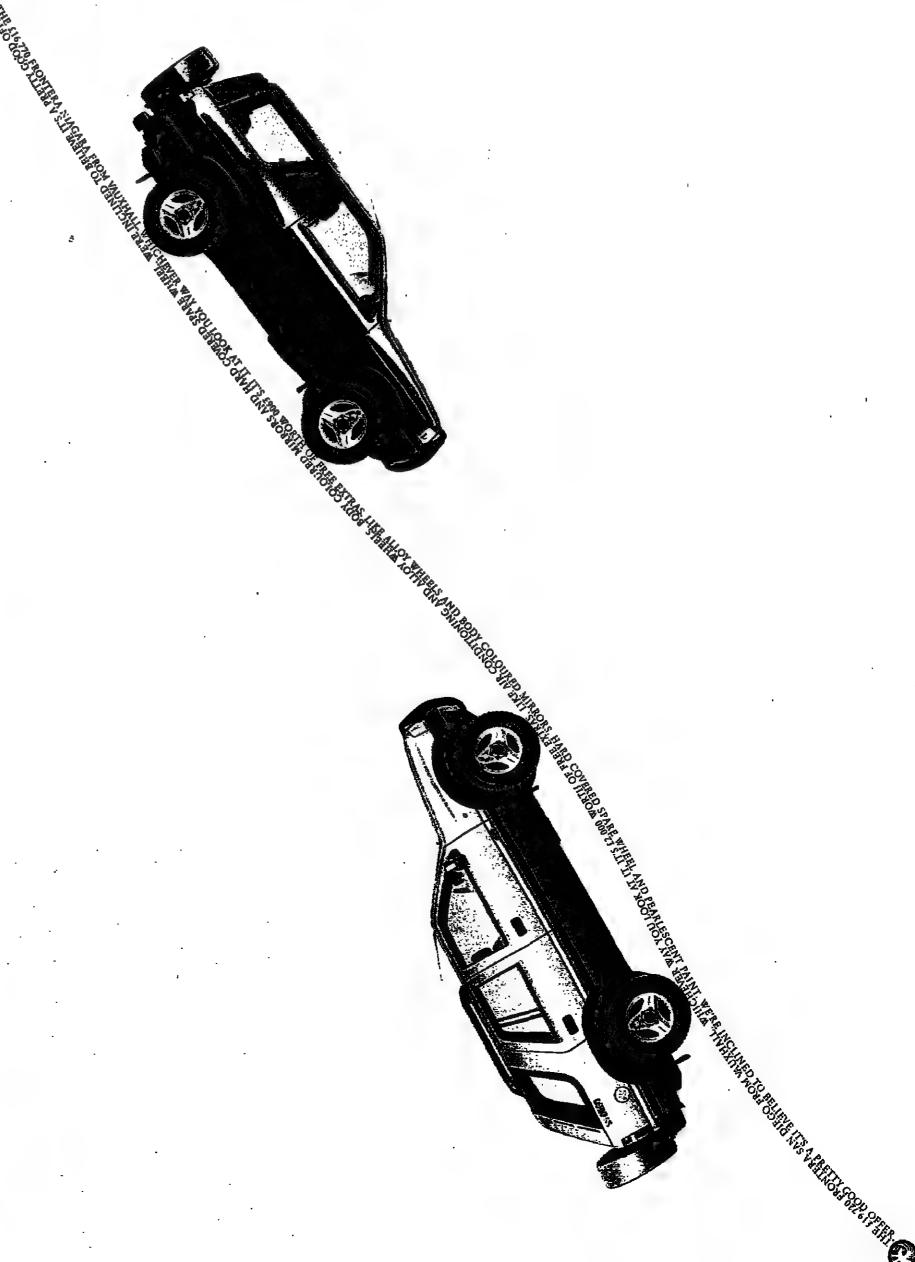
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Working

mothers

pay £6,000 a year for

childcare

By ALEXANDRA FREAN SOCIAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT MANY working mothers are spending almost twice as

much on childcare as on

family with two children has

to pay at least £6,000 a year on

formal childcare with a nanny, childminder or nursery

compared to less than £4,000

for housing or food, according

to a report by the Daycare

Trust. In some parts of the

country, a full-time nanny can

parents can afford to pay for

full-time childcare, the trust said. Some use a mix of paid

and unpaid care, but by far the

greatest proportion of work-

ing mothers — more than 45 per cent of the total — are forced to rely on unregulated,

informal and often unreliable

childcare provided by family

The trust, in a pre-Budget submission to the Chancellor.

said that unless the Govern-

ment provided quality child-care at prices most families could afford, its Welfare-to-

Work drive to get lone parents

off benefits would not succeed:

A spokesman said: "Without

affordable, quality childcare,

parents on lower incomes are

hampered in their efforts to

make a living and their child-

ren are trapped in a cycle of

disadvantage."

Only 25 per cent of working

cost £13,500 a year.

The average two-parent

housing or food bills.

# Dentistry tops pay league for graduates

STUDENTS looking for high salaries should beat a path to dentistry departments and put all thoughts of theology out of their heads, a survey submitted to the Government's re-view of higher education suggested yesterday.

A ten-year study of 18,000 graduates showed enormous variations in earning power. with some subjects leading to salary levels twice as high as others. The results will strengthen the case for differential fee levels when Sir Ron

Surveys of graduate employment are usually taken only six months after graduation, and tend to suggest that employment prospects differ little between subjects. But the study by Birmingham University academics shows that stereotypes reassert themselves as careers develop.

At the extremes, male dentists who graduated in 1985 were carning an average of £41.692, while their counterparts in theology were strug-gling on £14.243. Among women graduates, electrical engineers were the biggest earners, on an average of £34.686, while chemical engineers averaged only £15.217.

Among non-vocational subjects, male economics graduates secured the highest rewards after ten years, at almost £35,000 a year, while philosophers barely topped 215,000. Other top salaries for women, who had slipped 13 per cent behind men by 1996. were in law and dentistry.

The research, presented to the Society for Research into Higher Education yesterday. shows that higher education remained a lucrative proposition for students seven and 12 years ago. Men who graduated in 1985 were earning 30 per cent more on average than those who went into employ ment with A levels or their equivalent. The premium enjoyed by women graduates was 46 per cent.

But Clive Belfield, who outlined the findings at a conference in London, said it was doubtful whether the "rate of return" from higher education was still sufficient to justify a degree course in purely finan-

Job prospects differ little just after graduation, but ten years on the gaps widen. according to research that will strengthen the case for fee differentials at university

cial terms. "The variations between subjects are such that there would seem to be scope for fees in dentistry, for example, but they might decimate a bject such as sociology."

However, the survey suggested that money was not the prime motivation for most tudents. Self-development and an Interesting career played a greater part than uture earnings in rating the decision to go to university.

Nor did pay levels dictate graduates' views of whether hey had made the right choice. The vast majority of those answering question-naires said they would take a degree if they faced the choice again, although fewer than half would take the same course. German and social graduates were the most likely to regret their

The study found a similar pattern in the class of 1990 to that of 1985. Small numbers of graduates in some areas made comparisons unreliable, but the survey suggested that the subject taken was a better indicator of future prosperity

tained. Those with a first or upper second were only 4 per cent better off than the rest after ten vears.

Most graduates responding to the survey thought they had gained in the jobs market from higher education, but had not found personal fulfilment. Dr Belfield said: \*Being a graduate does not make you any happier because graduates tend to be a bit serious about themselves.

A second study outlined at the conference, by academics at Warwick University, showed that graduates who went to university straight from school with A levels did better in the jobs market than those from less traditional backgrounds. Older students and those from working-class backgrounds lacked confidence in applying for higher education, laced greater finan-cial hardship and were more likely to be disappointed with their first job after graduation.

Mapping the careers of highly qualified workers (Birmingham University School of Edgbaston,

a 47-year-old chauffeur who

developed the first symptoms

of multiple sclerosis three

months after being injured in

a road accident. The man also

suffered mild head injuries,

pelvic damage and a whip-lash injury. The accident has been blamed for his subse-

quent impotency and the

There is little doubt that

sudden stress can expose the

symptoms of multiple sclero-

When, for instance, I was a

doctor in Norfolk, one of our

local district nurses was

swimming off the coast when

she found herself being swept

out to sea. She battled back to

the beach but, within 48

hours, had the first disabling

evidence of multiple scierosis.

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The judge in the chauffeur's

almost immediately.

breakdown of his marriage.



# From theology to Spice Girls



By DAVID CHARTER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

THEOLOGY and philosophy degrees do not necessarily mean a life of penury, despite their place at the bottom of the graduate earnings table. Barnaby Thompson says he owes his success as a film producer to studying theology and philosophy at Oxford. The 36-

year-old is producing Spice.

The Movie, the Spice Girls' first

and diocesan bishops £23,500. Mr Thompson, who co-produced Wayne's World among

will net his company. Fragile dies, set up his own production Films, a six-figure sum. Mr company in London seven months ago. "My degree helps me in everything I do," he said Thompson is coy about his carnings, but it is safe to say he yesterday, speaking from the set carns more in a month than a year's labour by those contemof the Spice Girls film. "My experience was that it was the process of learning which helps you, not what you learn." poraries at Regent's Park Collge who followed their calling

into the clergy. The average salary of a vicar is about £14.500, archdeacons can expect £21.000

Mr Thompson is also living proof that academic success is not necessarily an indicator of foture earnings. He got what he

The trust wants a £70 veekly childcare allowance. funded from the utilities windfall tax, to enable lone parents and families on low incomes to get back to work. The trust stimates that 450,000 families could benefit from such an allowance, directed at people on low incomes or the unemployed with children aged 14 or under.

Aithough such an allowance would require a budget of £350 million a year; the real cost to the Exchequer, after allowing for savings in bene-fits and increased tax revenue, would be £200 million, the trust estimates.

Colette Kelleher, director of the trust, said: "The Government should also look at startup grants to kickstart new childcare services, such as early excellence centres, norseries, childminders and out-ofschool clubs: options for tax relief: and incentives for employers to share the costs of

# several other Hollywood come-The state of the s

#### When sudden stress can trigger genetic diseases A HIGH COURT judge has awarded £337,617 damages to

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condition to the stress brought on by the accident. Presumably two factors contributed to this stress the acute anxiety suffered when the car was hit and pushed 40 yards and the post-traumatic stress this could induce, and the effects that spinal injuries could have on his future

employment Reports do not make clear if the impotence was the result of spinal damage and therefore to the nerve supply of the genitalia: psychogenic: a manifestation of the stress; or

early symptom of the multiple sclerosis. Impotence is a common, but rarely mentioned, manifestation of multiple selerosis in men, as is genital anaesthesia in women.

The judge, in giving substantial damages to a vulnerable patient whose symptoms have been triggered by their response to stress, may have encouraged many thousands of others to seek recomponse in the courts for their infirmity. Stress may play a part in triggering symptoms in a large number of diseases in

ponent in the causation. The stress may be of many

different types, including anxiety or injury. If the chauffeur had not succumbed to the trauma, both physical and psychological, of the accident, another disaster - illness, debt, divorce, death of a loved one, loss of a job or a change in the social background might have triggered the

Among the conditions other than MS in which there is a strong family history and in which it seems likely that a person is born with a tendency to develop the trouble which may be exposed by other factors, including stress, are diseases as diverse as psoriasis, diabetes, the autoimmune and inflammatory conditions which include ulcerative colitis, lupus and

rheumatoid arthritis, and

ing schizophrenia and some forms of depressive illness. Are all these unlucky

people, in whom one of life's unfortunate events exposes a genetic weakness, to receive more than £300,000 in the courts if a possibly causative incident can be blamed on overstretched by examina-tions who develops schizophrenia have a case against the university? Will, in fact, all those with an hereditary propensity to develop a disease be able to sue somebody for their faulty genes if the weak-

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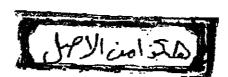
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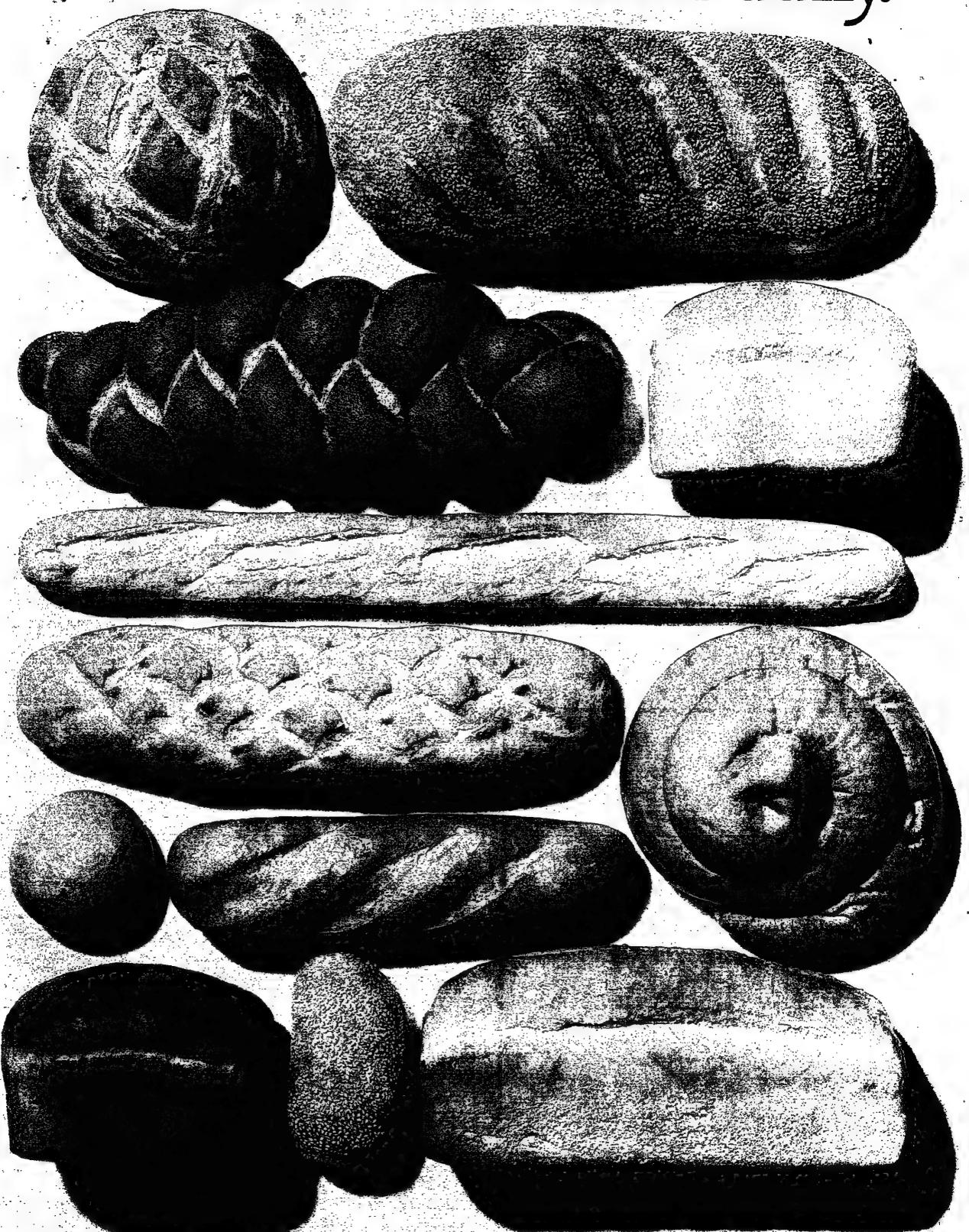
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#### 'Offensive' war film disrupted by arson attack

BY RICHARD FORD HOME CORRESPONDENT

MORE than four hundred people fled an arson attack at a cinema that was showing the controversial film Border which depicts the war between India and Pakistan and is allegedly offensive towards

The fire broke out in a bag of rubbish at the Belle-Vue cine-ma in Edgware, northwest

Less than a week ago 300 youths of Pakistani origin rioted in the Harehills area of Leeds, attacking a video shop they believed was hiring out

Muslims have been of-fended by a scene in which the Koran is damaged, and by the film's alleged prejudice against Pakistan.

A London Fire Brigade spokesman said the fire was relatively small and was doused within ten minutes of firefighters being alerted. Some 14 emergency calls were

received from filmgoers, many using mobile phones. Harry Hallen, 52, a BT engineer, said: "There were lots of bangs on the screen and then suddenly there were flames and smoke billowing out from one side of the

Two men of Asian appearance, thought to be in their 20s, were seen acting suspi-ciously near the seat of the fire at the back of the auditorium shortly before the alarm was raised, a Metropolitan Police spokeswoman said.

Scotland Yard said it was investigating the theory that the blaze was started after a row between staff at the cinema and a group of youths who had been smoking in the nosmoking auditorium and had been asked to leave.

A spokesman for Eros International said that Border had been showing in cinemas across the country for two weekends and had attracted no other protests. He said the company was happy to continue to offer the film, which he insisted was not offensive to Muslims. "I am sure it was just some young kids who do not know what they are



# 'Village from hell' fights back

A community brought to its knees by a group of lawless families is uniting to face up to the threat, Shirley English writes

RESIDENTS who claim their tranquil lifestyle in a tiny village has been wrecked by three nuisance families are to hold a public meeting tomorrow in an effort to tackle the menace.

Limerigg, south of Falkirk. has been dubbed the "village from hell" by the local MP. Michael Connarty. He claims anti-social neighbours have wrecked the once-beautiful village, sited next to a forest and

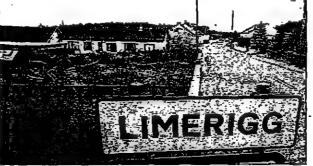
Mr Connarty has raised the issue in the House of Commons. In a question to Tony Blair about witness protection, Mr Connarty spoke last week of "the tragedy of a beautiful village in my constituency turned into a village from hell

by several vicious families against whom no one has courage to go witness"

Mr Connarty said yesterday: "These problem neigh-bours steal things, damage cars and physically and ver-bally abuse people. They drink and fight in the street, even their children are abusive. The police know who they

are, the housing authority knows who they are. Residents, particularly the elderly, are harassed regularly."
Those who complain might get a brick through the

Mr Connarty is pressing for changes in the law to protect witnesses who testify against nuisance neighbours. He also wants councils to have greater



Limerigg: once drew daytrippers seeking rural calm

powers to evict problem tenants. But the three interrelated families blamed by residents for some of the problems — the McGlynns, Woods and Campbells - say it is they who are being

Yesterday, sitting on his front path with friends, sharfew cans of Export and a bottle of Buckfast, Willy McGlynn, 40, hit back at the

allegations. "It's all lies," he said. "If anything happens here they always blame the McGlynns. They think we're scum, but we're not. They are trying to get rid of us, but the only way they will get us out of here is in a box. because we social families to move in. have never done anyone any

Mr McGlynn, who was born and bred in Limerigg and admits he has been in trouble with the police, added: This used to be a cracking wee village. There is not a person here that I have not helped at some time. Now they children."

Many of the council cottages and flats, which were once eagerly sought by people attracted to the peace and quiet of country life, lie empty and boarded up with metal shutters. Out of the 84 homes in Limerigg, of which 58 are council-owned, 24 are empty

their names. One elderly woman said: "People are too frightened to speak out." A man who has lived most of his life in the village said he had watched its decline over the years. He claimed the trouble started about 16 years ago, caused by a "bad" generation of a Limerigg family, and was exacerbated when the council allowed other anti-

> Previously the village was a beautiful place and people had to wait for someone to die to get a house, he said. Daytrippers would travel for miles to picnic or fish at the loch. "Now the council wouldn't be able to give the houses away." He claims people have bro-

and falling into disrepair. In

ry School's roll has almost

halved, leaving just 14 pupils, as residents have moved

away. Around the houses occupied by 15 or so adults and

children that make up the so-called problem families, all

the properties are empty.
Only a handful of villagers

are prepared to talk about the

problems, but decline to give

ken into vacant properties and taken everything, from fireplaces to bathroom suites. "They are a bad lot but around here nobody ever sees anything," he said.

At the public meeting tomorrow night, Falkirk council and Central Scotland Police will present a draft plan aimed at reviving the village. claims he was held too long BY FRANCES GIBB -LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

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A MAN convicted of assault was kept in a psychiatric hospital for more than three years after he was declared free from mental illness, the European Court of Human

Rights was told yesterday.

A supervised hostel place could not be found for Stanley Johnson and doctors were concerned he might "explode" under the pressures of daily life. But lawyers told the judges in Strasbourg that since his release in January 1993 he had had no mental relapse and no convictions.

The court is being asked to find Britain in breach of the European Convention on Human Rights, which safeguards
the right to "liberty and security" and states: "Everyone
who is deprived of his liberty
by arrest shall be entitled to
take proceedings by which the
lawfulness of his detention shall be decided speedily by a court and his released ordered if the detention is not lawful."

Mr Johnson, from Leicester, was sent to Rampton psychiatric hospital in Nottinghamshire in 1984 for punching a woman in the street. He was convicted of actual bodily harm, his fifth assault conviction. He was found to be suffering from schizophrenia superimposed on a psychopathic personality.

in June 1989, the Mental Health Review Tribunal accepted he was free from the symptoms of mental illness but ruled he should not be discharged until suitable ac-

The proposals include in-creased policing and security measures and refurbishing

empty council homes, which will be guarded round-the-clock until occupied. Scottish Homes will be asked to devel-

op new housing on vacant

While welcoming the plans, Mr Connacty, believes that

little will change unless the

source of the problem is

tackled. Government propos-

als to introduce community

safety orders to restrain crimi-

nal behaviour, in the new

Crime and Disorder Bill, do

not go far enough, he says.

The orders rely on victims

giving evidence in court, and

most of them are too scared to

David Speirs, the local

councillor, said yesterday that the council was doing all it

could to help the decent people

in the village. Central Scot-

land Police accepted that confi-dence in the police's ability to

Jean Woods, 42, née

McGlynn, claims that Lime-

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ments, but her family is not

responsible for the vandalism

One of the Campbells, who

refused to give her full name,

said the allegations were lies

and came down to religion.

"We're Catholics and we have

to fight the council to get

anything done in our houses.

It's a disgrace," she said.

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commodation could be found. The European Commission of Human Rights has already delivered a preliminary opin-ion, by 15-1, that Mr Johnson's human rights were breached. The court will deliver its verdict later this year.

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#### Hopes for 'male pill'

BY NIGEL HAWKES . SCIENCE EDITOR

SUCCESSFUL trials in Edinburgh could lead to a practical male pill within five years. researchers said yesterday.

Thirty men have taken the pills in various doses and shown that they seem to work and to be safe. More trials are needed, with support from a large drug company, if the male pill is to become a

practical proposition. The results will be preented tomorrow at the annual meeting in the city of the European Society of Human Re-

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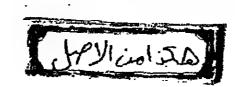
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Charlie Kray, 70, gets 12 years for cocaine deal

CRIME CORRESPONDENT

CHARLIE KRAY was sentenced to 12 years in prison yesterday for masterminding a £39 million cocaine deal.

Kray, the elder brother of the gangster twins, will celebrate his 71st birthday next week in a high-security cell. will go to Belmarsh Prison in Woolwich, southeast London, to be assessed. A decision will then be taken on where he will be sent long-term. One factor is whether he is considered an escape risk.

Kray will have to serve at least half of his sentence. He has already served almost a year on remand and this will be deducted, meaning he is unlikely to be released until he

is at least 76.

Friends and family accept that he may die in jail. Yesterday they said they were planning an appeal and a medical report was being prepared. Kray's last prison term: ended in 1975, when he was freed after serving part of a ten-year sentence for helping to dispose of the body of a Kray gang victim.

Last week he was found guilty at Woolwich Crown Court of offering to supply cucaine to undercover officers and also of supplying two kilograms of cocaine worth £63,500. Yesterday in court he continued to protest his innocence. He denied involvement in drugs and told the jury that

they had made a mistake. He told Judge Carroll: "All my life i have advised people. particularly the young, never to be involved in drugs." He



Kray: continued to deny involvement with drugs

said the stories he told the undercover officers about drug deals he had been involved in and the offers of drugs were all lies. They were a ruse to get money.

stand by him."

next spring.

brothers to retire to the coun-

try once Reggie was free.

Watched by supporters packed in the public gallery, including his girlfriend, Judy Stanley, he said: "I swear on my son's grave I have never handled drugs in my life. Juries have got it wrong for me before and this jury got it But Judge Carroll told Kray

the evidence had been overwhelming. "You showed yourself to be ready, willing and able to lend yourself to any criminal enterprise which became known to you."

The defence claimed there had been entrapment, but the judge said: "There was never a real question of entrapment by those officers but, when caught you cried foul. I am pleased to say this jury saw through that hollow cry. Infiltration by undercover officers is an important tool in soci-ety's fight against crime."



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Judy Stanley, Kray's girlfriend, yesterday. She promised to stand by him

# Top darts players go to court over world boycott

SOME of the world's top darts players lined up for a High Court battle yesterday against the sporting body they claim has made them pariahs, unable to earn a living from the able to earn a living from the game. Fourteen leading players, including Eric Bristow, Jocky Wilson, John Lowe and Cliff Lazarenko, are suing the British Darts Organisation, alleging that it has an unfair monopoly on organising

When the players broke away from the BDO in 1993 to form the World Darts Council, they were banned from all BDO competitions and func-tions. Andrew Hochhauser. QC, representing the players, told Mr Justice Potts that professional darts players' livelihoods depended on them being able to take part in competitions. "These competitions are said to be open to all, but they alone have been denied access since 1993,"

When the players broke away, the BDO passed resolutions suspending them from participating or attending any of its events, Mr Hochhauser said. "We challenge the monopoly power of the BDO. The



Bristow: he is claiming for loss of earnings

boycott has hampered their ability to earn a living by their

It was unlawful and was imposed unfairly, in breach of the BDO's own rules and of natural justice, he added. It also imposed an unlawful restraint on trade, which was against the European Union's free competition laws.

The darts players want the boycott overruled and are claiming compensation for loss of earnings since its

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#### School heroine is offered new job

By RICHARD DUCE

LISA POTTS, the nursery nurse hailed as a national heroine for protecting children from a machete-wielding attacker, is to be offered a job at another school after constant flashbacks forced her to

Potts. 22. said the psychological trauma which resulted from the attack at St Luke's primary school in Wolverhampton last summer has proved so great that she was decided to resign before the start of the September term.

She has started to suffer vivid daytime flashbacks of the incident. Wolverhampton education authority said that. even if she stopped being one of its employees, she would be given psychiatric care for as long as was needed.

Miss Polls, who was awarded the George Medal for bravery in the Queen's birthday honours, will be encouraged to take a post at another school. She has been on sick leave for the past four weeks.

Wolverhampton council said that it "recognised demands being made of Lisa by the intense media and public interest, which have made it difficult for her to continue in her post". The council said alternative posts were being discussed "to offer her some breathing space and she is considering these. The council will do all it can to assist her in shaping her future."



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# Hague brings Coe back in key Westminster job

By Andrew Pierce and Jill Sherman

SEBASTIAN COE, the double Olympic gold medallist who lost his seat as a Tory MP at the general election, has made a rapid return to Westminster with a key post in William Hague's office.

Mr Coe. who lost Falmouth and Camborne to the Labour Party, has been appointed deputy chief of staff. The appointment ends weeks of speculation that Mr Coe will take a high-ranking post in sports administration. It will put him in a strong position to to secure the chance to fight a winnable by-election.

Mr Coe was one of a clutch of appointments announced yesterday. Several key figures in Mr Hague's leadership campaign have been rewarded with political roles. Alan Duncan, who masterminded the campaign, has been given an important backroom role similar to the one created by Peter Mandelson as Labour's communications specialist duriung the last Parliament.

Mr Duncan has been appointed Parliamentary Polit-

ical Secretary. He will act as a bridge between the Leader of

the Oppposition's office and Lord Parkinson, the party chairman, at Conservative Central Office.

Mr Hague, who has promised to revolutionise the local party network and Central Office, is planning to trans-form the party's media operation. Mr Duncan will have a key role in liaising with the media and ensuring that policy announcements by the par-

The position, the first of its kind in the Tory party, will



Duncan: important backroom role

wield considerable influence. "He will have a foot in every camp," a Tory source said last

Charles Hendry, another member of the Hague campaign team, is brought back from the widerness, having lost his High Peak seat. He will be the chief of staff. Mr Coe, Mr Duncan and

Mr Hendry are all fiercely loyal to Mr Hague. They will help to dispel any feelings of insecurity he might have as such a young party leader. Geroge Osborne, 26, is Mr

Hague's political secretary and has been tipped for great things in the party. He worked for Douglas Hogg, the accident-prone Agriculture Minis-ter in the last Tory Government. During the election he breifed John Major each morning before the daily press conferences. Christopher Chope, the for-

mer Minister of Transport who lost his seat in 1992, is expected to get a job in Mr Hague's Shadow Cabinet, takng the environment portfolio. David Willets, the MP for Havant who resigned from his

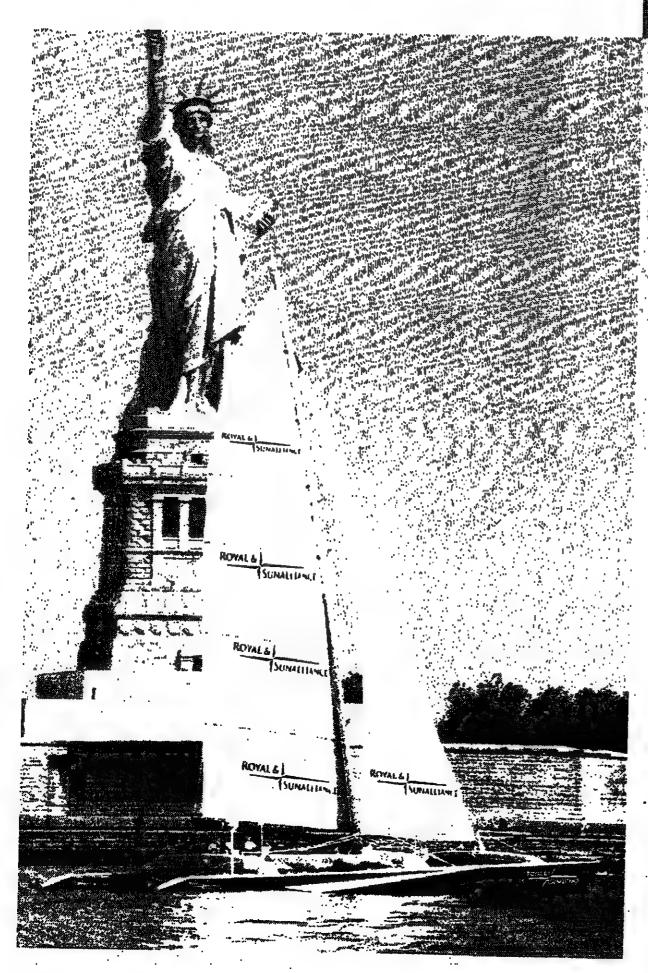
job of Paymaster General over his handling of the cash-for-questions affair, is expected to become a Shadow minster.

Meanwhile the think-tank that played a strong support-ing role in John Redwood's leadership campaign coun-tered reports that it was about to be wound up. The future of the Conservative 2000 Foundation looks shaky after Mr Redwood's decision to sever links with it. There has been speculation that Mr Hague demanded this from Mr Redwood as the price for a Shadow Cabinet job, to prevent its use as an alternative power base to Central Office. But yesterday Hywel Wil-liams, the foundation's director, said: "Recent press speculation concerning the future role of the Conservative 2000 Foundation has been both inaccurate and damag-ing to the cause of Conservative Party unity ... The foundation has been happy to assist Mr Redwood with his work in recent years but he holds no office in the foundation, which is an independent

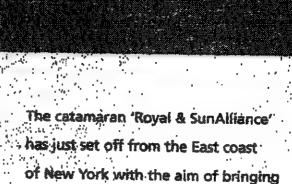


#### Coe job will put him in a strong position to fight a winnable by election and restart his Commons career

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# Schools to gain in new look at building deals

By POLLY NEWTON, POLITICAL REPORTER

will be given priority under a revamped government scheme to attract private money into the public sector.

Geoffrey Robinson, the Paymaster General, announced esterday that the Private Finance Initiative - launched by the Conservatives - will be streamlined so that potentially suitable schemes are assessed

at an earlier stage.
A new Treasury task force ments and agencies to weigh up the commercial viability of projects before private contractors become involved. The task force will replace the Private Finance Panel, which has been disbanded.

Critics say that both the Government and the private sector have incurred huge and often unnecessary tendering

costs under the PFI.

Mr Robinson said: "Until now, the Treasury has been involved too late in the process, leading to frustration and increased costs."

Asked about the involvement of schools in the PFI, he said: "We have identified it as a priority and that has been welcomed by the Depart-ment for Education and Employment." He denied that the relaunch was "make or break" for the PFI under Labour, but added: "I am determined to make this work and my reputation will depend in no small part on making it work."

Mr Robinson said he had accepted in full the recommendations made by Malcoim Bates, chairman of Pearl Assurance pic, who was asked to conduct a review of the PFI within days of Labour's general election victory. Mr Bates called for the structure of the scheme to be simplified and for clarification of the responsibilities of those involved. Mr Robinson said he had

SCHOOL building projects spoken to all but one of the members of the Private Finance Panel yesterday morning, to inform them that it had been disbanded. "Every single member of the panel, apart from the one I have not spoken to, agreed that was the right decision and there's no prob-

lem there." he said. David Steeds, chief executive of the panel, welcomed the Government's move but added: "Our period of stewardship has seen an impressive list of projects signed in all sectors for which we are responsible."

Under the new regime, contractors' bidding costs could be refunded by the Government if a project for which they have rendered is scrapped purely on policy grounds. The idea was recommended by Mr

Bates in his report. Mr Robinson said: "There has been an unacceptable degree of silliness on both sides and if we are to reduce the bidding costs, which have run into millions, we have to be serious about it before we start. But if there's a government decision to pull the plug. then it (refunding costs) should be considered. I think it loads the dice in favour of a serious intent.



Robinson: reputation depends on success

#### Labour is reminded of pledge to the old

BY POLLY NEWTON

AGE CONCERN will today overnment of failing to fulfil its pre-election commitments to the elderly. The charity's director gener

al. Sally Greengross, will address a meeting of MPs at the Commons to mark the launch of a report, Age Matters, which calls on ministers to make good the pledges in Labour's manifesto.

A spokesman for Age Con-cern said: "There were an awful lot of commitments that the Labour Party made in opposition and we have yet to see some action. We are beginning to ask questions like how long do you give them the benefit of the doubt."

Pensions, the funding of long-term care and age discrimination by employers are among the issues on which Age Concern wants action.

Ms Greengross said: "In his election campaign, Tony Blair pledged never to forget the contribution made by pensioners to this country's history and prosperity. Mr Blair must now make good this promise, and offer older people the opportunities, support and care they need to ensure that retirement is a time to be enjoyed, not endured."

The report says that the present review of NHS funding has caused widespread concern among older people, who would be most affected by any charges for GP visits. stays in hospital or curbacks to prescription charge exemp-

#### **Tradition** ends with colony's last appeal

By VALERIE ELLIOTT

THE 150-year tradition of legal appeals from Hong Kong being heard by senior judges of the Privy Council is to end this week.

A special council meeting to be heard by the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York - the Queen will be in Canada - will take place at Buckingham Palace on Thursday to seal the final rulings.

The last case to be heard will be about squatters' rights. Sze To Chun Keung, 73, built a shack in the New Territories more than 40 years ago. He took out a Crown permit for 21 Hong Kong dollars a year (about £2), and since then has upgraded the property. But the Crown say he has no right to the land and the real owner is now righting it heal. is now claiming it back.

Kim Lewison, QC, representing the property developer who owns the land, said: "It will be an historic appeal another chunk of Commonwealth jurisdiction is going outside our courts."

Leolin Price, QC. has taken part in many Privy Council cases. He said: "What has always been important in Hong Kong is that the law should be to the highest international standard and totally reliable. An appeal to the Privy Council was a way of ensuring an international input into the judicial arrangements in Hong Kong."

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#### Minister signals end for car bull bars

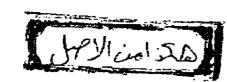
BULL hars on cars and formes could be banned by the Goverunient without agreement from Brussels if the devices are not outlawed across Europe, Baroness Hayman, the junior Transport Minister, said last night (Polly Newton writes).

She told the House of Lords that there had been an estimated 84 serious injuries and two or three deaths in Britain as a result of the heavy metal bars being fitted to the front of vehicles

Lady Hayman said that progress within the European Union had been slow, with some states opposing the Commission's proposals -We still believe that the best mechanism is through extend-

ing and amending the directive. But if that's not possible, we will consider what national action could be effective if progress is not forthcoming." Lady Hayman, describing bull bars as an unnecessary and aggressive addition" to cars, said that they greatly increased the risk of severe injury in accidents were pedestrians were struck.

#### IN PARLIAMENT



# new look at ilding deal

# Artist and public clash over value of 130ft brick train

A LOCOMOTIVE made from 185,000 bricks, and compared by its creator to the Pyramids. was unveiled in Darlington yesterday. The 130ft-long Train, by David Mach, 42. was put together by a team of 100 that included engineers, architects and bricklayers.

The monument, loosely based on the prewar, record-breaking Mallard, contains enough bricks for several terraced houses and reflects Darlington's position in rail-way history. Mr Mach made his name in the early 1980s with Polaris, a submarine

made entirely from tyres.
The work to which National Lottery funds contributed £570,000 of the total cost of £760,000, was unveiled by Lord Palumbo, former chairman of the Arts Council. who said: "If anybody cavils or criticises public art, they should come here. It is one of those works which raises the spirits and lifts expectations."

He described it as a superb work of art and a great addition to the landscape and environment.

Jeff Morrow, 27, of Coxhoe, Co Durham, one of the bricklayers who produced the 1,500ton train, said: "I wish I could do more of this sort of thing. I will always feel a sense of pride whenever I go past here and see the train."

The sculpture, sited next to a Morrison's supermarket, which commissioned it, was criticised by local people, who believed the money would have been better spent on a more "sensible" project.

Peter Jones, a former Darlington councillor, said: "E760,000 should not have been spent on it. There are thousands of us who feel that. No options were given. We all consider that the people were treated with contempt." He added: "Darlington council has gone ahead with the first rubbish put before it ... We

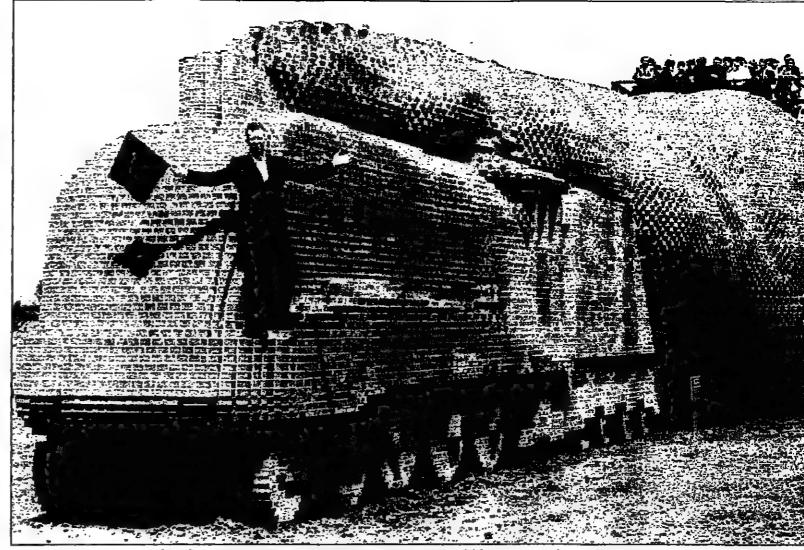
should have had a real train or some form of museum where people could learn about the railway history of this area."

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Dorothy Long, chairman of the council's leisure commit-tee, said: "I'm delighted the brick train has been built in Darlington and that it has already generated local, regional and international interest." Mach, whose next commis-

sion includes a portrait in coathangers of Nelson Mandela for a refugee centre in Edinburgh, said: This is doing Darlington proud. It is there to be part of the land-scape and in years to come people will come to see the train in the same way as they visit the Pyramids and Trafalgar Square. It is a real investment in the area and its people. Something substantial has been created which has

involved a lot of people. "It has brought back traditional skills and crafts and embraced traditional values."



David Mach, creator of Train, at the unveiling in Darlington yesterday. He said future generations would compare it with the Pyramids

#### 'History at risk' from millennium exhibition

BY NORMAN HAMMOND ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

VALUABLE evidence for Britain's industrial history is being destroyed in the rush to prepare the Millennium Festival site at Greenwich, an archaeologist has claimed.

Remains next to the Thames dating from Tudor to Victorian times, including jettles and the sites of a tide-mill and a dry dock, may be destroyed without investigation, according to Mary Miles, of the Association for Industrial

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"Greenwich was a major industrial area from Tudor times, involving armaments and maritime trades," she said. "A walk along the river-side reveals site after site of great interest."

Part of the area is protected, but the site of an 1803 tide mill, chemical works, will probably be demolished without study. The site of an 1870 dry dock "has been cleared under great secrecy, and we have not been able to discover its fate". Ms Miles says in the association's newsletter.

A gasholder, once the world's largest, should be recognised as "a monument to technological achievement".

#### Courtesy car drivers not liable for fines

BY A STAFF REPORTER

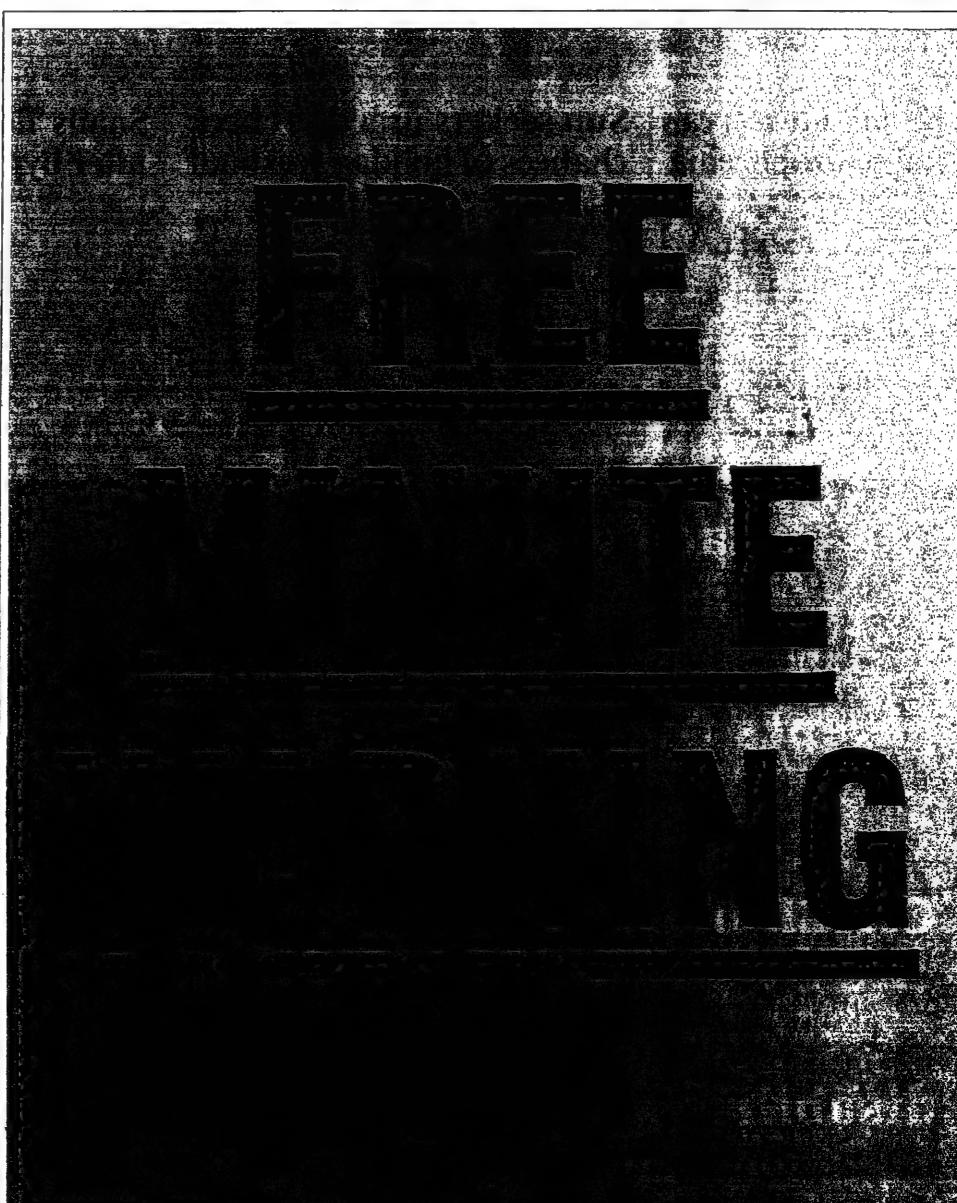
DRIVERS are not liable for parking tickets picked up while they are using courtesy cars, a test ruling has said. Five garages lost an appeal against a ruling that they should have to pay for tickets collected by customers whose collected by customers whose

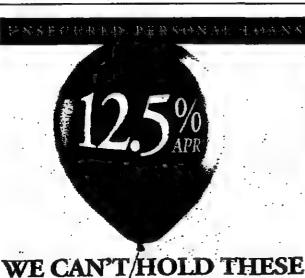
cars they were repairing.

The garages had hoped to close a loophole in the Road Traffic Act that meant they could not transfer liability for fines to the driver of the car. But the chief adjudicator of the Parking Committee for London rejected their case. saying that, as the keepers of the vehicles, responsibility rested with them.

However, at the same session in Haymarket, central London, a ruling involving Avis and Hertz means that car-hire companies can force customers to pay their park-

Robin McCulachy, of the British Vehicle and Leasing Association, said: "Garage now have a problem on their hands. If a person borrowing a vehicle incurs a parking fine, the garage is liable for it. Essentially this means any customer who gets a parking ticket can just turn round and say, "Tough. I'm not paying the fine."





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# PoWs hopeful of victory in claim against Japan

INTOX10 AND MICHAEL EVANS

PRITISH veterans maltreated in Japanese prisoner of war carnes were claiming a breakthrough vesterday in their fight for commensation from the Tokyn Government.

A leading international expert on himan rights appeared in court in Tokyo to me his full backing to the 10.000 British military and civilia. Pows who are each daining £14,000 for the sufering they endured during me Second World War.

Japan has always mainrained that it has no case to answer, as the survivors among the 50,000 interned oritor's received compensaion of £76 under the terms of the 1951 San Francisco Treaty.

Fritz Kalshoven, Professor of interestional Law at Leiden University in Holland, and the leading academic on the treatment of PoWs, told the district court hearing the claims for compensation that, under the เพิ่มที่ Iriague Convention, individuals were able to make daims for abuse of human

Martyn Day, the PoWs' lawyer, wild: There is no quertion that today has been the cirrax of the case, the Jahring moment. When the Japanese Government began 6 I surrendered once to the Japanese. I didn't like it. I will not surrender again 9

their cross-examination, their enthusiasm disappeared. I came away with the strong feeling that, if the judiciary has even half an eye for seeing real justice being done, then I think we will win.

Professor Kalshoven told the court that a governmentto-government "agreement such as the San Francisco Treaty "cannot have the effect of depriving individual victims of the right to press their own claims for damage suf-

again. Apart from the El4,000, the former PoWs are also demanding an unequivocal apology from Japan, Mr Tith-erington, 75, said: There is no hatred. There is no question of revenge. It is simply a matter

fered at the hands of the

enemy". In the court case,

which began in January 1995.

seven former Allied PoWs and

civilian internees, including

three Britons, are seeking

Speaking after yesterday's

hearing. Arthur Titherington,

chairman of the Japanese

Labour Camp Survivors' As-

sociation, said: "I surrendered

once to the Japanese. I didn't

like it. I will not surrender

compensation.

Mr Titherington accused 'sitting back and waiting for a natural solution to the problem", adding: "The natural solution being the death of people like me. That is highly More than 12,000 Britons

died from disease and starvation in Japanese camps or described in court the horrific treatment they suffered.

Mr Titherington told Japanese journalists at a press conference: Because of the procrastination of your Government you, the ordinary Japanese, are invariably referred to, certainly in Britain. with derogatory names, usual-ly 'the bloody Japanese'. You are held responsible for something you didn't do."

The Labour Government

has already taken up the PoWs case with Japan, although its ability to exert pressure for a settlement is restricted by the San Francisco Treaty. The PoWs point out that, in December, MPs from all parties used a Commons dehate to urge Japan to make amends for its brutal treatment of British prisoners. Mr Titherington and other

PoWs said yesterday that Em-peror Akihito could expect an embarrassingly cool reception in London next year if Tokyo refused to make amends by offering money and an apology. The Imperial Palace is known to be concerned that the Emperor's visit may be overshadowed by the calls for compensation and an apology.

Mr Day said: "If the issue has not been resolved by the time he comes, I'll be surprised if the PoWs and intern-



Keith Martin, left, and Arthur Titherington laying a poppy wreath in Hodogaya

felt." He added: "Time is running out. When I took up this case in 1992 there were 14.000 PoWs and civilian internees. Now there are only 10,000 in the two groups."

ciation of Civilian Internees of the Japanese, said: "The Emperpr's visit provides some sort of incentive to do some-

plaintiffs who heads the Asso-

At the next court hearing,

scheduled for September, Mr Day expects the judges to give a ruling, but he says that the case will drag on if the Japanese Government decides to counter with its own expert

#### School head suspended after claims of assault

ENEWS IN BRIEFS

The head of a boarding school for boys with emotional problems has been suspended after several pupils made allegations of physical assault. Roger West and two other staff at Oakwood School in Stowmarket, Suffolk, are being investigated by police and social services. Parents of the school's 50 boys, aged between seven and 16. have been told of the action by letter. Suffolk County Council said: "The suspensions are not disciplinary action, but have been made pending the outcome of the investigation."

#### Late delivery

The Post Office is to keep one of its counters open until midnight six days a week. The Post Office inside Tesco's superstore at Pitsca, Essex, will also open from 10am to 4pm on Sunday, Other Post Offices may follow suit

#### Saudi trial delay

The trial in Saudi Arabia of two British nurses accused of murdering Yvonne Gilford, an Australian colleague, was adjourned to July 7 to allow lawyers to show that her brother. Frank, was the family's legal representative.

#### Library arsonists

Three youths aged 15 and 16 who burnt down a public library in Guisborough, Teesside, for a dare while drunk were sentenced to be detained for up to three years and three months. The library will cost £1.25 million to rebuild.

#### Ulster hat-trick

Northern Ireland emerged on top in an all-Ireland best-kept town competition. Hillsborough, in Co Down, won the town and small town titles. and Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, took the award for the best large town.

#### Brush with law

Police called to a break-in at a B & Q store in Darlington, Co Durham, used an aircraft with a heat detector to track down the burglar. When they caught him hiding in shrubbery they found he had stolen only a £1.75 paint brush

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#### Five-minute test can find schizophrenia

By Nigel Hawkes, science editor

SCHIZOPHRENIA can be diagonard by a simple five-minute skin test. The test involves putting small quantilies of placin (vitamin Ba) on . the inner forearm and noting any dushing of the skin five minutes ister

The Highland Psychiatric Research Group, based at Urais Duneir, Hospital, Inverness, har shorm that schizoparentes do not respond. producing as perceptible flush. Apart from helping in diagnosis, the test shows that there are biochemical differences between schizophrenics and healthy volunteers which could have important implica-

results are to be published in Schizophrenia Research. The test works, the group

Emperor Akihito: faces a

believes, because of abnormalities in schizophrenics' cell membranes. These outer cell coatings consist of fatty acids. including arachidonic acid. Earlier work has shown low levels of this acid in the cells of schizophrenics, believed to be due to increased activity of an enzyme that breaks it down.

The flushing comes from a reaction between niacin and arachidonic acid in the skin cells. The absence of such a response indicates a deficiency

#### Sun seekers urged to check chances of holiday washout

By Harvey Elliott, travel correspondent

HOLIDAYMAKERS are flying out to face two weeks of floods or storms because travel agents are failing to advise them about local weather conditions, researchers claim.

A team for the BBCI show Summer Holiday asked 50 High Street travel agents for details of a long-haul beach holiday to be taken in August. More than half made no mention of the risk of monsoons or hurricanes and some gave blatantly wrong advice.

When asked about the Caribbean, only one agent said there was a chance of hurricanes in July and August A Darlington claimed that there was no rain in the Maldives during August - the middle of the monsoon season.

The programme was prompted by complaints from a couple who said that their holiday in Jamaica had been by torrential rain ntined throughout a nine-day stay in August. Keith Betton, of the Associ-

ation of British Travel Agents, said that tourists should check with their travel agents. But they are not meteorologists. It is a shared responsi-bility between the travel agent and the traveller to take climate conditions into acwhen booking

For the record, the monsoon season in Goa is from Jane to September, when there can be up to 24in in one month. In the Seychelles the rains come from November to February, with perhaps 12in around Christmas, Phuket in Thailand can expect up to 12in a month in the monsoon season from May to October.

Throughout the Caribbean the hurricane season runs from June to November. Tornados may hit parts of the American South from March to May, with the worst storms in July and August.

#### Snails 'flourishing' after bypass move

By A STAFF REPORTER

THE snails that briefly threatened work on the Newbury bypass are thriving in their new home, according to the agency that moved them.

Environmentalists went to court to try to get the £101 million project abandoned on the ground that the work broke European conservation laws. But the Highways Agency won approval to continue work on the nine-mile route after convincing the courts that the colony of minuscule Desmoulin's whorl snails could be moved further up the River Kennet valley. Yesterday, months after the

colony was moved to its larger

them shows encouraging results one year on."
Steve Rowsell, the High-

ways Agency's project director for the Newbury bypass, said: \*Continuous monitoring has revealed that we can further enhance the Kennet area by regulating the water flow. This additional work is in hand. We are also going to start work on creating more habitat, measuring about 900 square metres, in the Bagnor Valley in the near

home, the agency announced

that checks had found that the

snails were thriving. "The

creation of a new habitat for

Each week, 200

Learning disabilities are often not recognised in children until they are two or three years old, and in some cases proper diagnosis can take a lot longer. Parents who know something is wrong with their child but

# parents find out their

don't know how to find out what it is, need a lot of support and advice. not only coming to terms with the child's problems but in doing something about them. To help give these families the help they

# CHILD has a learning

desperately need. Mencap have launched a Family Adviser service. which provides caring professionals, supported by trained volunteers. who can act as advisers every step of the way. Pilot schemes are now up

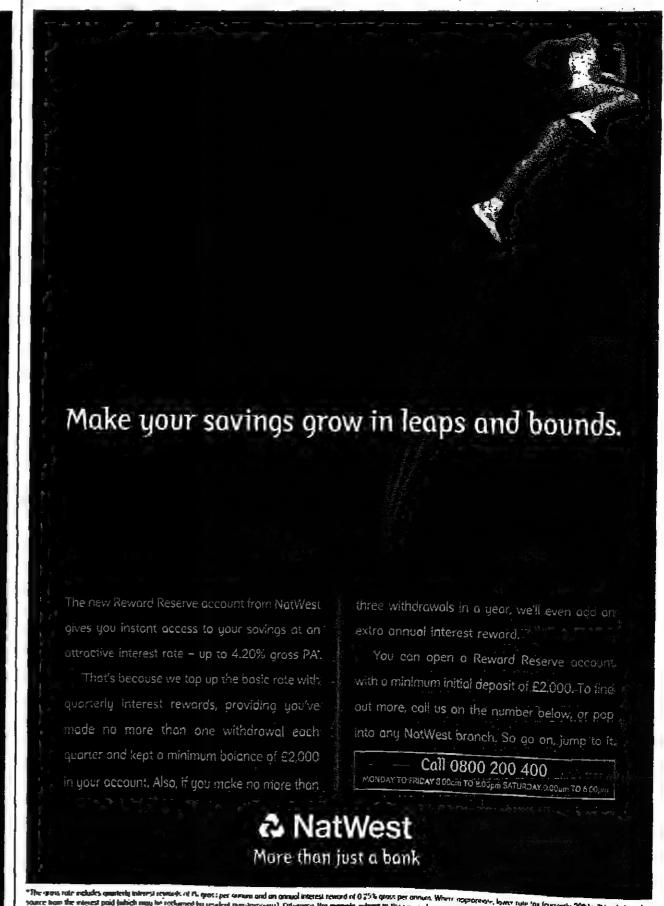
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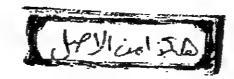
and running for this much needed service, but more funds and support are required to make it a national network. You can help by ringing 0645 777 779 and making a donation to Mencap's Bine Sky Appeal.

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# German firms to check records for Holocaust links

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

SOME of Germany's most famous companies, fearing hefty lawsuits and compensation claims, are opening their archives to allow independent historians to assess the extent of their collaboration with the

School head

after claim

Degussa, the precious metals company accused of melting down the gold teeth of Jewish victims, has commissioned the Cologne Institute for Economic and Social History to trawl through the often detailed records of wartime gold deliveries.

As the speeches at the first publicly held congress of the Society for Company History made plain. Degussa is not alone in having to confront its past. Daimler and Volkswagen have commissioned company histories, by established scholars, in which the role of slave labour is thoroughly examined. Deutsche Bank's profits from sales of Jewish assets have also been

company has just chosen Gerald Feldman, the American historian, to look at its wartime record - it insured SS buildings at Auschwitz, Dachau and Buchenwald.

A new history of the German railway system, prepared by Klaus Hildebrand, the Bonn historian, will appear later this year and will buttress the evidence of other company historians: that the scope of the Holocaust was known to many more Germans than has previously been acknowledged. The transport of the millions of Jews to concentration camps in the East required the active participation of many thousands of railway employees.

Dr Hildebrand told the congress that German railwaymen were imbued with a civil service mentality - correctness, personal honesty and a sense of order. These socalled "secondary virtues" coupled with a belief in the checked by independent histo-rians. The Allianz insurance propaganda slogan "Keep the Wheels Rolling for Victory".

#### Postwar powers 'know secret of looted assets'

FROM PETER CAPELLA IN GENEVA

JEWISH officials have accused the postwar powers and other European countries of helping to conceal the fate of

closed yesterday the names of 334 Nazis who may have transferred assets to Switzerland and other countries.

Many former Nazis were employed by opposing sides during the Cold War and the Wiesenthal Centre said the big powers, including Britain, deliberately avoided public investigations into their past.

Rabbi Marvin Hier, international director of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre, said Washington was still keeping

Rabbi Abraham Cooper, of

the centre, said the search represented the unwritten side of a recent US government report on Nazi dealings. He also questioned the role played by the Tripartite Gold Commission, set up by the Allies after the war to redistribute looted Nazi gold.

#### Novelist's old haunt reborn as brothel

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FROM ANTHONY LOYD IN PREETOWN

FIFTY years ago the talk on the hotel balconies was of spies, invasions and subterhelped to blind the railwayfuge. Generals, royalty and diplomats rubbed shoulders men to the truth and ensured with diamond miners and adventurers. Now the only business discussed is the \$2.50 (El.63) price of a room for a few hours - bargains struck between Freetown prostitutes and their clients.

Broken shutters creak in the wind while rain cascades through the burnt-out wreck of the neighbouring National Treasury building, a victim of the violence in Sierra Leone's

month-old coup.

The City Hotel was once the comparatively opulent war-time haunt of Charles de Gaulle, and later visited by King George VI. Its most celebrated guest was Graham Greene who made four trips to Freetown in his lifetime, immortalising both the city and the hotel in The Heart of The Matter.

It is nearly 30 years since Greene checked out. He first arrived in Freetown in 1935 on an expedition that aimed to combine adventure with research and provide inspira-tion for a book. At the time, as the only hotel in the capital, its bar proved a focal point for Slerra Leone's expatriate community, and its clientele profoundly influenced Greene's views on colonialism.

Greene returned to Freetown in 1942 as an intelligence



Freetown's City Hotel, featured in The Heart of the Matter by Graham Greene, below, is now a rundown brothel

agent. The Vichy French in Guinea posed a threat to Allied interests, in addition West Africa was one of the principal routes used by German agents to procure industrial diamonds from Central

By this time Greene was more tormented than previously. In love with two women, his wife and mistress, he struggled in vain to find a painless compromise between the forces of love for an absent soulmate and desire for the sexually available.

In this frame of mind, and fuelled by his original mistrust of the ruling set, he wrote The Heart of The Matter. Greene spent much time drinking at the hotel, which

Allied shipping. Docked for repairs at Dakar, about a thousand miles from Freetown, Greene was asked to find out the ship's state of readiness. He recruited a loyal French madame to open a brothel at Portuguese Bissau, down the coast from Dakar, hoping that Frech sailors frequenting it would give away details to the women working there. However. London turned down the

It would doubtless amuse

Greene to know that the City

Hotel is itself a brothel today.

In The Heart of the Matter,

Wilson, a secret service man.

satisfied his needs with Sierra

Leone prostitutes for "ten

bob". The hotel's small cartel

he calls The Bedford in the novel.

As an intelligence officer Greene had a number of imaginative plans. In 1942, the Allies were worried about the Vichy battleship, Richelieu, and the threat it posed to rooms for 2,000 Leons (\$2,50)a Its Nigerian owner has

disappeared; the manager and his family have fled to Guinea. They took with them some photographs of Greene, who last stayed there in 1967, as well as archive documents related to his work there.

"I am sitting on the balcony where Wilson sat at the City Hotel and saw Scobic. Greene wrote from Freetown in a letter to his lover in 1967, "It's very, very hot and sticky and I love Freetown." His views had changed considerably since 1942, when he called Freetown "this God-forsaken hole", a phrase more applicable to the Freetown of today.

#### hundreds of millions of documents secret despite repeated appeals under the pounds stolen by leading Freedom of Information Act. Nazi officials from Holocaust These accounts represent the Extending the search for key to the entire history of missing Holocaust funds, the what happened to the money Simon Wiesenthal Centre disthat the Nazis plundered," he

did not pay out. Herbert Hansmeyer, the Allianz director, says the company lost its capital base after the war but he no longer rules out setting up a compensation fund for Holocaust victims. "First we have to clear up the facts about our role in the Third Reich." Former slave labourers from eastern Europe have also been setting up their claims for pensions from Volks-

that they contributed to a "seamless participation in the genocide of the Jews". Other

members of German concerns

clearly also knew about the

Holocaust. Allianz fire and

safety inspectors had to exam-

ine regularly the insured buildings in the concentration

camps and report back to their

The new candour partly

reflects a generational change in German management. In

the 1960s and 1970s, when the

first rose-scented company

histories were prepared, se-

nior managers often still had

connections with, or direct

memories of, the war. But it is

the international pressure -

the fear of lawsuits and em-barrassing disclosure in key

foreign markets such as the

United States and Britain -

that is driving the new passion

Holocaust survivors in the

United States have lodged a

multibillion-dollar suit

against Allianz and other Ger-

man insurers, alleging that they were cheated out of their

German insurance com-

panies largely controlled the

life insurance market of Cen-

tral and Eastern Europe be-

fore and during the war yet

for the truth.

wagen, Daimler and other companies. The German car manufacturer's readiness to come clean in its new company histories has earned it some applause in Germany But there is still a fear that it will lose market share, espe cially in America.

#### **New fighting traps French**

FROM SAM KILEY IN JOHANNESBURG

FRENCH interests in Africa took another battering yesterday as fierce fighting erupted in Brazzaville and French troops were embroiled in putting down a mutiny in Bangui. the capital of the neighbouring Central African Republic.

Artillery shells exploded in heavily populated shanty areas of Brazzaville as the last of

eaps and bound

the French soldiers, who evacuated 1,500 foreigners from the city, prepared to leave.

At least 30 people were killed and nearly 100 wounded when mutineers in Bangui attacked peacekeepers from Senegal and Chad with mortar fire on Sunday. Five French civilians were wounded when two mortar rounds exploded inside the French Embassy compound. Bangui has long been an important military base for French troops and was a springboard for French interventions in the former Zaire. Somalia. and Rwanda in recent years.

The renewed fighting in Brazzaville led to the Red Cross abandoning its attempts to clear bodies from the streets. "These blow-ups are making the French throw up their arms in dismay," a European ambassador said in Kinshasa yesterday.



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# Jospin stumbles at first hurdle in bid to cut spending

FROM ADAM SAGE IN PARIS

LIONEL JOSPIN is facing the first demonstration of his premiership today as French family groups protest outside the National Assembly in Paris against his Government's plan to end universal child benefit.

The Socialist Prime Minister is under pressure to scrap his pledge to save public money by excluding the mid-dle classes from family allowance, the French equivalent of Britain's child benefit. His call to reform one of the oldest and most popular welfare pay-ments has infuriated the Gaullist-led opposition, sections of the press and the powerful family lobby.

Jacques Baumel, the Gaullist deputy, said: "The decision is unjust and immoral."

M Jospin is on the defensive and his Government is engaged in a chaotic retreat from its initial position. The controversy underlines the difficulties M Jospin will face as he tries to ensure that the public spending deficit remains within the limit of 3 per cent of gross domestic product inposed on countries that want to join the proposed European

NATIONAL hypochondria is

damaging France's efforts to

join Europe's economic and

monetary union. A newspaper

report yesterday said the

French are reporting to hospi-

tal accident and emergency departments although there is

That is putting pressure on a social security budget which

is already threatening to un-

dermine hopes of replacing

the franc with the Euro in

The Paris ambulance ser-

vice told the newspaper Le

Parisien yesterday that only

20 per cent of those who call it

were ill enough to be kept in

rarely anything wrong.

In a speech in parliament last week setting out his Government's policy, the Prime Minister made a series of spending commitments and just one proposal that would reduce expenditure, the curb on universal child benefit.

Under an allowance which dates from the creation of the welfare state in 1945, all parents with two children receive Fr671 (£69) a month, those with three children Fr1,531, with four children Fr2,391. and so on. The benefit is not available to parents with one M Jospin said he wanted to

limit payments to families who earn less than Fr25,000 a month, the first such restriction in the benefit's history. The Government says that about a million of the country's 10.6 million households receiving the allowance would

François Hollande, the Socialist Party spokesman, said: "It is not right that in our society when people have high earnings, they get family allowance as well."

However, the proposal has angered Christian groups for

Hypochondria threatens

France's economic health

hospital. The rest were suffer-

ing bumps, bruises — and

service, said: "In the great majority of cases, patients could be treated efficiently by

Dr Patrick Sauval, with the

His analysis was shared by

Claude Gabinski, head of the

accident and emergency ser-

vice in Bordeaux, who said:

"In the last ten years, the

number of people who come

The French are healthy -

women live to an average of 81

years old, and men to 72 -

and, with 60,000 GPs and

52,000 specialists, they have

more doctors per head of

population than almost any

here has doubled."

official of the National Union of Family Associations said: Middle-income families are likely to see their revenue fall

sharply."
Unlike British child benefit, which is defended as a barrier against poverty, French family allowance is portrayed as an encouragement to have child-ren. The birthrate of 1.7 children per woman is a worry to Roman Catholics who oppose contraception and to economists who oversee the social security system. Without a sudden influx of young people into the workforce or a sharp rise in taxes, the state pension system will be bankrupt by the

M Jospin seems keen to avoid a conflict with religious militants and pedantic accountants. His government spokesman, Catherine Trautmann, said - before other ministers contradicted her that families with three children would still receive family allowance regardless of income. Last night, Martine Aubry, the Employment Minister, added to the confusion by announcing a full consult-ation on the benefit.

other nation. Few analysts can

explain this stampede to hos-

pital, although some claim it is

mass hypochondria provoked

by the sense of gloom which has settled on France in recent

years. Gerard Mermet, author

of Francoscopie, a book on

social trends, said his compa-

triots were suffering "a nat-

ional pseudo-malediction.

They react irrationally. Their

feelings have become more

With the social security

deficit likely to reach Fr45

billion (£4.6 billion) this year,

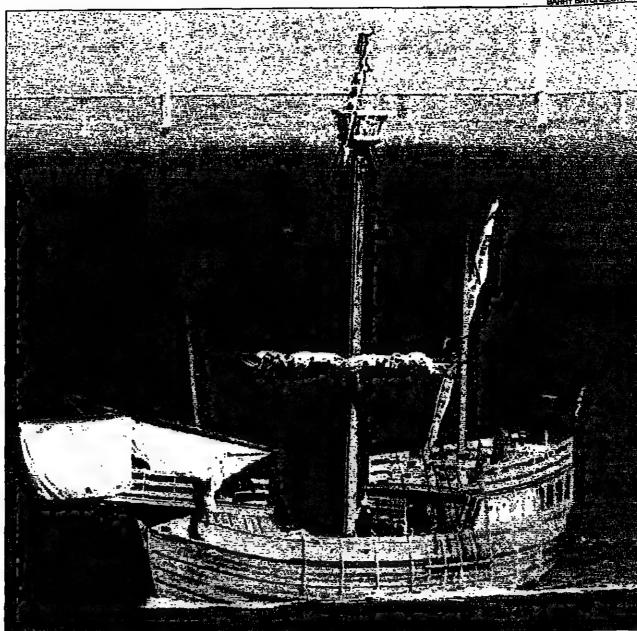
the overall French public defi-

cit is set to be way above the 3

per cent ceiling imposed on

countries wanting to join the

powerful than the facts."



A replica of John Cabot's flagship, the Matthew, which sailed from Bristol to Newfoundland to mark the 500th anniversary of the Italian's explorer's voyage to Canada, which he claimed on behalf of Henry VII

Cabot: the discovery

earned him £10 reward

Queen salutes Italian sailor's discovery of Newfoundland

By Tunku Varadarajan and Richard Cleroux

JOHN CABOT, the Italian explorer who laid the earliest Empire, will be feted in Newfoundland today on the 500th anniversary of his "discovery"

> The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh arrived in St John's last night to a 21-gun salute. Today they will join Jean Chrétien, the Canadian Prime Minister, at the fishing village of Bonavista - home to a mere 4,500 people - to greet the arrival of a replica of Cabot's ship, the Matthew, which set sail from Bristol

> More than 25,000 people have already arrived to see the royal visitors and more Newfoundland Mr Chrétien and Romeo LeBlanc, the Governor General, will host a state dinner tonight.

> The Queen's three-day visit has been a boon to the area's sagging economy. Merchants were hawking T-shirts, key-chains, towels and carved codfish featuring a combination of Cabot and royal emblems. Radio stations have

been playing Italian and Brit-

Celebrations include a full summer of regattas, song and dance festivals and ethnic celebrations all centred on the theme of Cabot's arrival and this week's royal visit. Born Giovanni Caboto,

Cabot was a member of that fearless tribe of 15th-century "reconnaissance men" who left Europe's shores in search of exotic lands and riches. A hard-headed fixer, he moved to England in the 1480s. making his home in Bristol. Like Columbus, the Italian believed that the riches of the East might be more easily reached by sailing west. The theory appealed to King Hen-ry VII. who granted him a royal patent under which Cabot set sail on May 2, 1497

with a crew of 18 men. He steered the Matthew on a nothwestward course, landing on present-day Cape Breton Island on June 24. Unfurling the English flag, the Italian took possession of the land for the English king. He believed that he had found Asia and returned to Eng-

land, describing his "a new

founde lande". He was awarded £10 and an annual £20 pension.

Goaded by the discoveries made for Spain by Columbus, Henry VII also gave Cabot his blessing for a second voyage. But that expedition is shrouded in mystery. Cabot left Bristol with five ships and about 200 men. Historians believe that many sailors mutinied, and that Cabot died

Not everyone in Canada will be celebrating the explor-er's anniversary. Indian leaders plan to protest about the royal visit and a re-enactment of Cabot's arrival which led to the annihilation of Newfoundland's Indians, the ease and massacres. Yesterday Daniel Ashini, a

spokesman for the Innu Indians, said: "There is nothing to commemorate. The colonisation of our people continues. We are not selfgoverning and our land is still being exploited."

To defuse tensions, the celebrations' organisers have removed all reference to Cabot as a "discoverer".



#### Netanyahu poised to win vote

Jerusalem: Binyamin Netanyahu, the Israeli Prime Minister, is set to survive today's crucial no confidence vote in the Knesset despite threats from his own supporters and the most serious attempt yet made by left-wing opponents to overthrow him (Christopher Walker writes).

Speaking to reporters after hours of crisis meetings behind the scenes in the wake of last week's damaging resignation by Dan Meridor, the Finance Minister, Mr Netanyahu expressed optimism that the opposition Labour Party would fall short of the ol votes in the 120-seat Knesset required to force new elections.

#### Okinawa anger

Naha, Okinawa: Okinawans marked the 52nd anniversary of the Second World War hattles in their island between US and Japanese forces that killed more than 236,600 people, including a third of the civilian population, about 150,000 people. At a memorial ceremony, Masahide Ota, the local Governor, expressed anger about the continued presence of US bases that keep much of Okinawa out of bounds to its people. (AP)

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Athens: Tourists were stranded at Athens airport when 20 flights were cancelled or delayed by up to four hours in a go-slow by Olympic Aviation engineers which affected flights to popular holiday islands such as Paros, Mykonos and Santorini. The mechanics have banned overtime and demand instead that Olympic. which is deeply in the red. should take on more staff. (Reuter)

#### Corruption case

Patna: Indian federal police indicted Laloo Prasad Yadav. head of the party of Inder Kumar Gujral, the Prime Minister, in a £170 million corruption case that has shaken the Government which has been in office for only two months. The police said they had indicted Mr Yadav, chief minister of the eastern state of Bihar, and 55 others in the state capital, Patna. (Reuter)

Lagos: Hundreds of thousands of commuters were stranded in Lagos. Nigeria's commercial hub, as a fiveweek fuel shortage in Africa's leading crude oil producer showed no sign of abating. Nigeria's four crumbling refineries have a combined capacity of 445,000 barrels a day but produce only a fraction of

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#### **Moscow restricts** religious liberty in cult crackdown

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S parliament yesterday passed a Bill intended to restrict religious organisations, which have flourished in the relative freedom of the post-Soviet era.

Amid accusations that Russia was taking a step back to the days of state control over religion, the Duma, the lower chamber, approved the new legislation by a majority of 300

The Bill sets out to limit the activities of religious groups, which can only be recognised as legal religious organ-isations after 15 years. Foreign groups will only be allowed to operate if they are accredited with a Russian organisation.

The move drew instant condemnation from human rights groups and liberal politicians. who gave a warning that the state was again tightening its grip over freedom of worship. The Reverend Gleb Yakunin, an Orthodox priest and liberal deputy, said the Bill

Aleksi: accused foreign groups of proselytism

was "openly discriminatory" and contradicted the "principle of freedom of religious choice under the Universal Declaration of Human Rights". He added: "The Bill is

Soviet religious policy." However, he appears to be in the minority in Russia. Only last week Patriarch Aleksi II, the leader of the Russian Orthodox Church. complained that the country's traditional faith was being undermined by foreign

effectively aimed at reinstating

proselytism". Muslim and Jewish leaders have also supported the Bill, expected to pass easily through the Federation Council, the upper chamber, and become law unless President Yeltsin decides to use his veto.

The new restrictions on religious organisations are intended to tighten up the liberal religious legislation passed in 1990, which is seen to have failed for two main reasons. First, the Russian Orthodox Church has felt threatened by the aggressive preaching of foreign missionaries, particularly American evangelical groups, who have succeeded in wooing the Russian flock

from their traditional church. There is also genuine concern that exploitative and sometimes dangerous cults are flourishing: details are only now emerging of how the Aum Shinrikyo sect, which launched a poison gas attack on the Tokyo subway, succeeded in establishing a powerful network in Russia, where top officials were bribed, chemical weapons purchased and gullthle followers recruited.

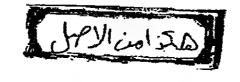
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# Whitewater team to see Hillary Clinton's notes

From Bronwen Maddox in washington

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ickes, who received tributes

this weekend for his organis-

ation of the Denver summit,

flew back to Washington and

But Mr Starr's investigation

has come under increasing at-

tack. Conservatives are furi-

into a wall of subpoenas.

IN A rare victory for the struggling Whitewater investigation, Hillary Clinton will have to surrender notes of private conversations with White House lawyers after the Supreme Court rejected her appeal yesterday. Kenneth Starr, the Whitewater prosecutor, who is battling to uphold the credibility

and momentum of his three-

year inquiry into the Clintons'

involvement in murky Arkan-

sas land deals, said the ruling

would avoid delay in the

"highly sensitive criminal in-

vestigation". According to

court papers, he has called

Mrs Clinton a central figure in

Yesterday's decision marks

the second recent Supreme

Court setback for the Clintons

after the ruling that Paula

Jones, who has accused the

President of asking her for

oral sex while he was Gover-

nor of Arkansas, should be

able to bring her case without

delay. The ruling also estab-

lishes the principle that gov-

ernment lawyers, unlike pri-

vate ones, are not covered by

his investigation.

Starr: fighting to defend credibility of inquiry

the rules of "lawyer-client privilege". Yesterday the White House called the decision extraordinary and unprecedented and said "it will substantially impair the abili-ty of the Office of the President and other federal agencies to secure sound legal advice".

However, there is widespread expectation that the fiercely defended subpoenaed notes do not contain highly

ous that he has not made more vative Wall Street Journal said on Thursday: "Nobody headway after the prosecuwho knows Jane Sherburne tions of minor figures and the White House lawyer in Clinton supporters argue that question and how this Adhe is abusing the system to ministration has functioned harass the Administration. believes there is anything in Among other running sores, these notes that incriminates he has continued to represent tobacco companies, in the The notes represent one of throes of a bitter fight with the the few remaining trails for Administration, during the Mr Starr to pursue. He is also Whitewater investigation,

trying to crack the silence of which critics say compromises Vebster Hubbell, who has his independence. served a sentence on a White-Abner Mikva, former White water-related charge, and Su-House counsel, and previoussan McDougal, now in jail on a Whitewater-related offence. ly a strong defender of Mr Starr, has recently added to Mr Starr is also lighting for co-operation from Harold Ickthe attacks, "I am very disappointed in Ken Starr," he has es, Deputy Chief of Staff during Mr Clinton's first said. "He has diminished the presidency and exacerbated term, who so far has refused to all of the problems of the

independent counsel." Dissatisfaction with Mr into campaign finance. Mr Starr flared into furious criticism this spring when he announced plans to take up a university post. He denied that that implied the investigation was running out of steam. After calls for him to stay if there was still work to be done. he postponed his move.

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Susan McDougal, appearing in public in chains

# Jailed land deal partner for trial

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

SUSAN McDOUGAL, the Clintons' convicted Whitewater partner, was expected in court again yesterday facing charges of fraud from another famous couple. Zubin Mehta, the conductor, and his wife.

McDougal, 49, who has been in almost perpetual solitary confinement since refusing to give evidence in the Whitewater case last year, faces charges that she stole more than \$140,000 (£85,000) while working as the Mehtas' personal accountant and general factorum. She has denied that she charged the money to Mrs Mehta's personal credit cards and forged her signature on 300 cheques during the three years until 1992 that she worked for the couple

The case may prove the final ignominy for McDougal, who was once described as a uncomplicated person from a close, religious family in Arkansas. Convicted and sentenced in the Whitewater trial. jailed for contempt and recently accused by her former husband of having had an affair with Bill Clinton, she now faces a possible nine-year sentence if convicted in the Mehta case. McDougal, who has been kept in a 5ft by 9ft cell, only appearing in chains in public, has claimed that Mrs Mehta developed an obsession for her from the beginning.

The conductor's wife, she says, bought her \$2,000 worth of suits on their first shopping expedition and even asked her to change hair colour to make McDougal appear more like an executive. Her job was to manage Mrs Mehta's expensive properties in Brentwood and Malibu, leased to such celebrines as Tom Hanks and Tuesday Weld.

Mrs Mehta has remained almost silent about the matter, but is said to have hired another accountant who discovered that McDougal had skimmed money from the couple's bank accounts for travel, phone bills and a rented storage locker.

They went to the police in 1993 and the following December McDougal was charged with ten counts of fraud, "She was devastatingly deceifful," Mrs Mehta said at the time. "I could write a book on Susan McDougal, and it would be a

#### Over-eager CIA led Kennedy to back **Bay of Pigs fiasco**

AMERICA's disastrous Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in 1961 happened not because President Kennedy was poorly advised, the traditional explanation, but because he backed an over-eager CIA against repeated warnings given by the Pentagon, ac-cording to newly declassified

Kennedy, facing the crisis just weeks into his presidency, was told directly by the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon that the attempt to oust Fidei Castro with a band of 1,500 CIA-trained Cuban exiles would have very little chance of success".

The documents cast a new light on the fiasco, on Kennedy's judgment and on the weaknesses of the CIA even then, at the height of its

In the ill-fated manoeuvre, 300 of the invading force were killed and 1,179 captured. A humiliated Kennedy was forced to bargain with Presi-dent Castro for their release, secured only after 20 months and payment of a \$53 million (E32 million) ransom in baby



Kennedy: ignored the Pentagon's advice

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The new picture of the disaster emerges from 1,100 pages of documents to be pub-lished by the State Department this mouth in its series. Foreign Relations of the United States, and obtained by USA Today.
They show that Kennedy

personally took the decision to move the invasion point to the swampy Bay of Pigs on the southern coast from a less remote point farther to the east, and to reduce cover from the Air Force and Navy. Both of those decisions, many commentators have argued, were to prove fatal.

He leant heavily on the advice of the CIA, which said that the people of Cuba would rise up to support the inva-sion. The Pentason, which was not directly involved in the plan, said that that would not happen.

Kennedy also dismissed warnings given to him by Arthur Schlesinger, a presidential adviser - and now a historian at the City University of New York - who advised on the cover-up that he was convinced would be

"When lies must be told, they should be told by subordinate officials," he wrote. There seems to be merit in [the] suggestion that someone other than the President make the final decision and do it in his absence — someone whose head can later be placed on the block if things go terribly

wrong." Kennedy did not take that advice. One of the documents, recording the Cabinet meeting the day after the failure, describes the President's mood as "almost savage".

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# Blair defies US pessimism over carbon cuts

CUTTING car use, spending around a billion pounds a year on a national home energy efficiency scheme and boost-ing renewable energy to 10 per cent of electricity production are some of the key ways in which Britain may meet its ambitious target to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by

20 per cent by 2010. The United States, which is trying to block agreements this week at the Earth Summit II in New York to tackle global warming, claims the actions needed will destroy industrialised economies.

But experts advising British ministers disagree. While tackling global warming will be difficult and meeting the British target will be tough, it could create new jobs in areas of energy-saving goods and services, renewable energies such as waste-into-power and solar schemes and lead to warmer homes with benefits for the elderly and those on low incomes.

Nick Eyre, a former leading energy expert with the Department of Trade and Industry's Energy Technology Support Unit in Harwell, Oxfordshire, said yesterday: "The US pos-ition is rubbish. There will be benefits in terms of less congestion on our roads, warmer homes, better technologies and reduced health costs because of the cleaner air."

The researcher has published a definitive study on how the British target could be met. It equates to saving 30 million tonnes of carbon dioxide a year. Cutting energy use from transport is a key area the Government needs to

The attack could be twopronged, with Britain either curbing car use or supporting sharp improvements in fuel efficiency. Measures to meet this target include higher fuel taxes, parking charges and tougher restrictions on car use in cities. Experts calculate that reduction of carbon dioxide could come from improving the fuel efficiency of the average car from eight litres per 100 kilometres or 40 miles a gallon to five litres per 100 kilometres (56 mpg). The mea-



A new study claims Britain can cut carbon dioxide emissions by 20 per cent, reports Nick Nuttall in New York

sures are being studied by the European Union's environment council. It is thought that, if manufacturers can get such cars on the road by 2005, half of the cars in Europe could meet the new target by

Tax measures, such as bigger annual charges for the road licence on fuel-inefficient

cars, will be needed too. Britain's homes are the least energy-efficient in Europe. Six million tonnes of carbon could be saved by a scheme that lags homes and boilers and promotes energy efficient devices. Bringing homes up to better standards, believed to be a 30 per cent improvement, would cost between £500 and £1,000 per house. Some of this can be achieved by grants and incentives. However, a big pot of funds will be needed which, according to experts, needs to



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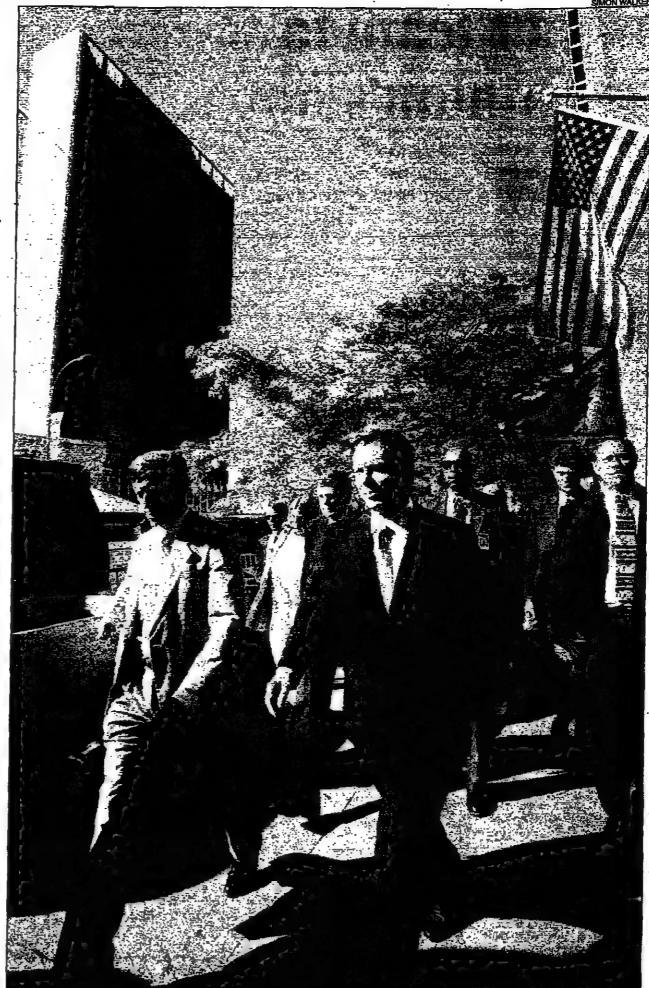
Renewable energies contribute 2 per cent to Britain's energy needs. The Government has pledged to raise this to 10 per cent by 2010, saving between three and four mil-lion tonnes of carbon a year. Combined heat and power systems that recycle the heat from a power plant rather than venting it to the air are being installed at big power stations and also as minipower stations in hotels and other businesses.

At present there are 3,500 megawatts of combined heat and power systems installed, and the Government has set a target of 10,000 megawatts by 2010. This will save two million tonnes. Mr Eyre, whose report is published by the think-tank, the Socialist Envi-ronment and Resources Association, said yesterday that the target could be reasonably raised to 12,000 megawatts.

A business energy tax to reduce industry's use of energy could deliver a reduction of around eight million tonnes of carbon. Experts believe technology is available to energyintensive industries, such as chemicals firms, to make significant savings if fuel becomes more expensive. To ensure that this does not damage British or European competitiveness and lead to unemployment, the Government may need to consider cuts in National Insurance contributions to make labour cheaper.

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Tony Blair, the Prime Minister, at the United Nations in New York to deliver a speech on the environment

# Japan to protect reefs and fight acid rain

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS

JAPAN announced an environmental initiative to monitor acid rain in East Asia, protect coral reefs in the Pacific and transfer technology to developing countries so they can clean up their

Ryutaro Hashimoto, the Prime Minister, told the summit's opening session that Japan remained committed to the goals of the 1992 Rio agreement despite "severe budgetary constraints".

We must change our lifestyles," he said, urging countries "to develop innovative environmental technologies and to promote their transfer to developing countries in order to foster sustainable development".

He said Japan would do its part to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and meet the other Hashimoto dubbed the Japanese plan, aimed at develop-

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ing countries, the "Initiative for Sustainable Development toward the Twenty-First

Century."

He said the initiative would include:

☐ Promotion of an Acid Deposition Monitoring Network in East Asia to keep track of acid rain in the region

Transfer of technology to

developing countries ☐ Promotion of clean water and sewerage systems ☐ Co-operation to save forests

and coral reels in the Pacific. Mr Hashimoto said Japan would establish a research centre on coral reef preservation in East Asia and the Pacific "which may be expected to play a central role in creating a network for research co-operation". He also emphasised the importance of environmental education.

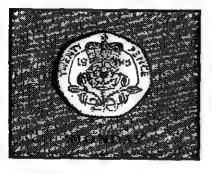
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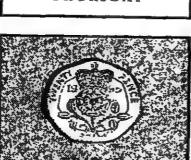
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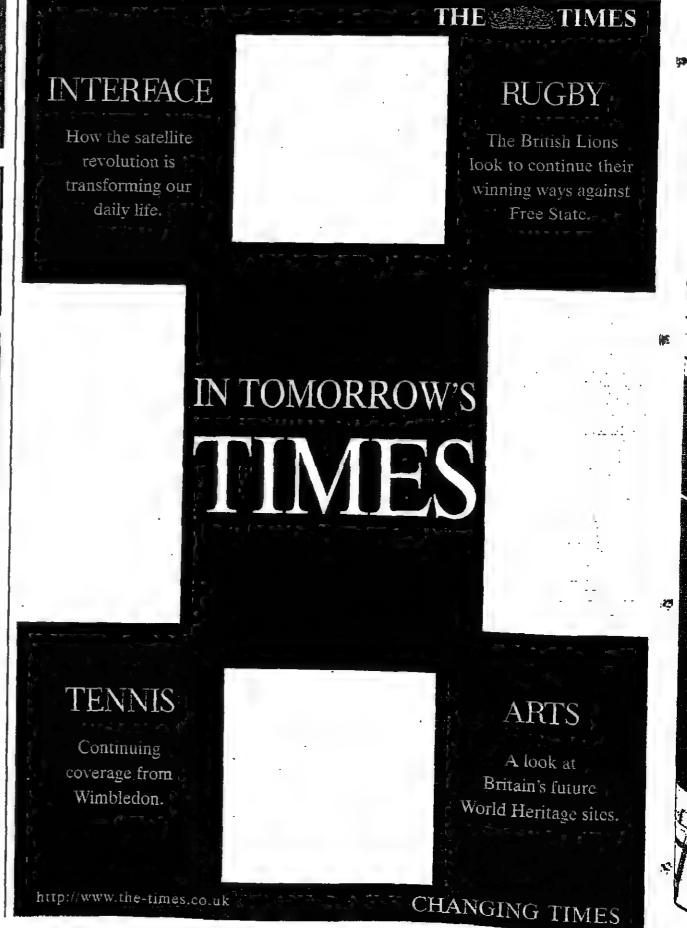


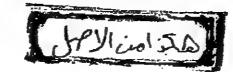
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# Britain allows China extra troops

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THE British Government has accepted a Chinese request that an extra contingent of the People's Liberation Army be allowed into Hong Kong before the handover of sovereignty to Beijing in a week.

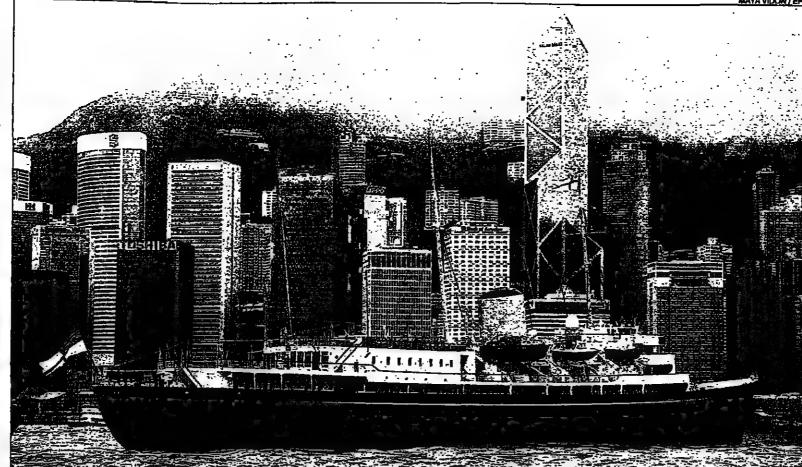
Only last week Britain had insisted that there should be no extra troops deployed be-fore the handover. The Chinese responded with what one source called "outrageous demands" which are understood to have included troops driving into the centre of Hong Kong in armoured personne

The agreement has taken six weeks of bargaining, during which the Chinese were reminded of the panic the sight of armoured personnel carriers was likely to cause. A fresh agreement was concluded yesterday, allowing the troops on to what will still be British territory three hours before the handover.

The Chinese will arrive in buses and will be distributed across five barracks throughout the territory, one of which will be the Prince of Wales Barracks overlooking the harbour. This will mean that they will probably go past thousands of Hong Kong people marking the handover

The 70 men at the Prince of Wales barracks will take part in a formal handover of the base at midnight with a colour lowering ceremony marking the end of the British military presence. The Chinese soldiers will not be carrying arms but will have light arms stowed.

The British have now prunounced themselves content with the new arrangement, saying that it will "smooth the way" for the military transition. The agreement appears



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The Royal Yacht Britannia, base for the Prince of Wales during the handover ceremonies, sails into Hong Kong harbour yesterday

been the most sensitive part of the handover negotiations. It illustrates Beijing's worries about a power vacuum for a period after the British leave, a period which could be exploited by opponents of the handover.

Martin Lee, leader of the opposition Democrat party, has indicated that he and members of his party are ready to be arrested and there are others who would be willing to make martyrs of

after Elsie Leung, the new Justice Secretary, announced that laws on security - to be passed three hours after the handover by the new provi-sional legislature — will be retrospective.

The new nervousness over the handover has been matched by Taiwan's decision to press on with a new round of military exercises. President Lee yesterday reviewed the first advanced new aircraft

States and France at a southern air base. He looked over examples of the American F16 and the French Mirage 2000-5 in an obvious signal to Beijing that Taiwan has no intention of joining Hong Kong in any new accommodation with the Chinese. In March last year China lobbed a number of missiles into the sea around

Taiwan during elections. Taiwan insisted that the latest war games, entitled "Chinese glory", were nothing

Hong Kong, but President Lee's high-profile televised visit to Tainan air base left nobody in any doubt as to his

On Sunday Beijing's official Xinhua news agency issued a commentary welcoming Hong Kong's return to China under the "one country, two systems" slogan as a model for Taiwan's own "reunification with the motherland." The Hong Kong press has speculated that China will respond with

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☐ Yacht arrives: The Royal Yacht Britannia docked in Hong Kong yesterday, taking centre stage in Victoria Harbour for Britain's farewell to its last major chunk of empire

sober backdrop to what is Prince of Wales will use the yacht as an official residence when he flies in on Saturday for his final trip to Hong Kong

(Catherine Field writes). Britannia will provide expected to be an emotional ceremony on June 30. The

rule of the Khmer Rouge". The two co-premiers, who

out in Phnom Penh between followers of the two leaders.

was wounded as its guerrillas closed in on Phnom Penh in 1975. After serving as a midranking military commander during its brutal regime, he broke with the group in 1977 and fled to Vietnam, returning



FROM JAMES BONE

THE United States is pushing Canada to take custody of Pol Pot, the former Cambodian tyrant, until an international tribunal can be set up to try him for genocide.

Madeleine Albright, the American Secretary of State, asked her Canadian counterpart, Lloyd Axworthy, during the Denver summit to seek extradition of the Khmer Rouge leader, who has reportedly been captured by a rival faction in northern Cambodia, under Canada's far-reaching

Canada and Denmark are the only two countries with domestic genocide laws that permit the extradition of the perpetrators of crimes against humanity in such circumstances. "We will be seeking to make sure that there is international justice carried out against this major war criminal," Mrs Albright said.

More than a million Cambodians died from executions, starvation and forced labour when Pol Pot's reign of terror turned the country into a "killing field" in the late 1970s. Prince Norodom Ranariddh

and Hun Sen, Cambodia's feuding Prime Ministers, petitioned Kofi Annan, the UN Secretary-General, at the weekend for international assistance in "bringing to justice those persons responsible for genocide and crimes against humanity during the

have shared power since a UN-supervised election in 1992 after years of civil war, fear that fighting could erupt again if Pol Pot is put on trial in the capital, Phnom Penh. Last week, a firefight broke

Both men have been associated with Pol Pot in the past. Hun Sen joined the Khmer Rouge in the early 1970s and two years later to head a



Albright: calls Pol Pot a major war criminal

Vietnamese-installed government.

During the 1980s, Prince Ranariddh's royalist forces fought alongside the Khmer Rouge against Hun Sen's Government and Vietnam's occupying army. The prince said yesterday that some people in Cambodia did not want Pol Pot tried because they feared being implicated in his crimes.

The Americans want to remove Pol Pot from Cambodia even before an international tribunal can be set up to try him under the 1947 Genocide Convention. The United States has told Canada it is prepared to organise a military team to airlift him out of the country, and American officials are drawing up a plan with Australia and other nations on how to remove him.

Once he is safely in Canadian custody, an international tribunal could be constituted either under the 1991 Cambodian peace accords or by extending the jurisdiction of the existing UN war crimes tribunal for Rwanda and the former Yugoslavia. Canadian officials say Washington has asked Canada to host the tribunal.

The main obstacle to establishing a new tribunal is likely to be China, which has backed Pol Pot's Maoist group since the 1960s and could use its veto in the UN Security Council to block an effort to put him on trial.

Mr Annan has expressed his support for bringing Pol Pot to justice.

#### Patten wins final battle for hearts and minds ladies. If there is a child he is FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY delighted and shows it. He distributes knighthoods and



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RIGHT down to the final handover on July I, Chris Patten, the Governor, and his successor, Tung Chee-hwa, Beijing's Chief Executive-designate, are competing for the affection of Hong Kong's 6.3 million people.

In the opinion polls not

much separates them: each is approved by roughly half of those polled. But as Mr Tung has out forward his policies. especially those limiting freedom of speech and assembly, proved Provisional Legislature to begin legislating his programme, his support has

It is surprising that Mr Tung secures as much support as he does. Michael



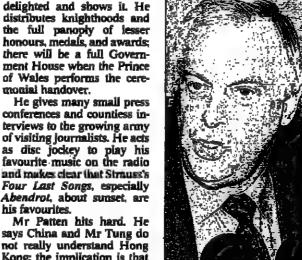
DeGolyer, Hong Kong's leading pollster, in a poll just completed of 1.100 people, says "Mr Tung and his allies older men, rich, born in China - are probably the least representative group in Hong Kong, and they are think most people here agree with them on fundamental issues, right down to whether people think they are Chinese, a Hong Kong Chinese, or a Hong Kong person."

For Mr Patten life is rela-

tively easy and he appears to be enjoying himself. He no longer makes policy or struggles and debates with the civil service and legislators. He no longer needs to shrug off personal attacks from Belling. such as being called a "whore", as China now treats him with indifference. The Governor need only preside and next week board Britan-

nia and sall away. He is not invited to the "summit" between British and Chinese leaders on the night of the handover, nor will he make a speech at the of one official, the Governor will be "a dignified presence".

Mr Patten hits hard. He says China and Mr Tung do He is doing what he does not really understand Hong and enjoys best. Mr Patten Kong the implication is that goes on walkabouts where Mr Patten, despite his few people crowd about him and execrably pronounced words he exchanges hugs with old of Chinese, really does.



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> INDIA and Pakistan took a significant step yesterday towards easing tensions between them as they agreed to start negotiations on the Kashmir problem, the main cause of conflict between the two

A joint communique, issued after four days of talks between the Indian and Pakistani Foreign Secretaries here,

said the two countries had agreed to a mechanism to hammer out all major and outstanding issues. India and Pakistan have fought three wars over Kashmir in the 50 years since they both attained

independence. The agreement was reached in the second round of talks between Shamshad Ahmed, Pakistan's Foreign Secretary. and Salman Haider, his Indian counterpart. They said other issues such as peace and

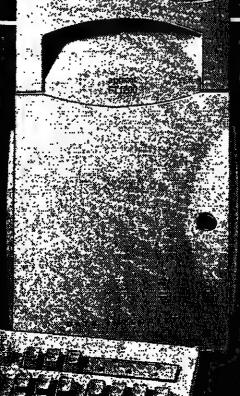
security, terrorism and drug trafficking, and economic cooperation, would be discussed when they meet in Delhi in September.

Both countries also agreed to prevent hostile actions against each other. As part of a confidence-building measure, they are to free almost 400 fishermen and 61 boats being detained for illegal fishing in each other's waters.

The agreement is seen as a breakthrough in relations between the two estranged neighbours. "The agreement provides a basis for comprehensive and sustainable dia-

gue," Mr Haider said. Mr Ahmed described the agreement as a significant step towards the establishment of good neighbourly relations. But he gave a warning that the road ahead was tough. "We have no illusions about the complexities which lie ahead, but we will continue negotiations in all sincerity."

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# The surgical secrets of the human heart

ou cannot properly understand the secrets of the human heart until you have seen, in vivid close-up, the surgeon's knife reach into the left ventricle and neatly sever the mitral valve.

You cannot appreciate the intricacy of needlework deep in the cavities of the chest until you have watched an artificial valve, a cheap-looking plastic button, descend slowly on 15 gossamer threads to seal the gap. And you cannot grasp the skill with which the most delicate of human tissue is sewn together until you have peered through the eye of an inquiring camera as the curved needle, magnified tenfold, pulls the suture tight and secures that lifesaving button

Until recently, it has not been possible to carry out those delicate manoeuvres without an invasion of the human body more appropriare to the butcher's shop than the hospital theatre.

For those who have never seen a heart operation before, this is the bit that is hardest to take. The breastbone is sawed open, pulled apart by a ratchet, then clamped in position so that the surgeon can begin the

work of exposing the heart. It is this, as much as anything else, that subjects the patient to trauma and prolongs the recovery process. Ciro Campanella, a leading heart surgeon at the Edin-Royal Infirmary, describes it as "surgical

Ciro Campanella has pioneered a revolutionary new technique in non-invasive heart surgery. Magnus Linklater watches him operate

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ments signalled that this was high-

"The point is," says one of the team, "that the less you do

on the inside, the more help

than just keyhole surgery. For one thing, a new way had to be

found to stop the heart and

transfer its functions to the

lifesaving cardiopulmonary

bypass machine. Normally the

blood supply is diverted by

putting a clamp across the

you need on the outside." The new technique is more

he trained originally under Christiaan Barnard at Groote Schuur Hospital, then went to America to study a new form

though, as a keen gardener, he was fit, there were inevitable concerns about age. Mr of heart surgery at Stanford University. Now he has begun to develop it further at Edinburgh, and has performed the first of the new

heart-valve operations in Britain. Known as portaccess heart surgery, it avoids opening up the chest, instead entering the ribcage through a small hole about the size of a billiard ball. This "minimally invasive" procedure has enormous advantages for the

recovering patient. There is tech surgery at its most less complication. less pain, less bleeding, fewer respira-tory problems," Mr Campanella says. "But," he adds, "this is not surgery for

He can say that again. Watching one of his operations lasting four hours, I was stunned by the skill, the technology and the teamwork

The patient, Joseph Ewan, from Edinburgh, was 79, and

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But without direct access to that massive artery through an open chest, another method had to be found.

"After 30 years of studying how to stop the heart and start it again, we have found a new means," Mr Campanella says. "We stop the heart through the

A long catheter is inserted into a vein in the groin and pushed up into position in the right atrium of the heart. A second tube is inserted

through an artery.

These provide the vital links with the heart-lung machine which takes over during the operation. A second catheter with a small balloon at the end of it is passed up through the same artery and positioned close to the heart.

By inflating the balloon the blood supply to the heart is closed off, while a cold solution containing potassium stops its function altogether. The posi-tioning of the balloon proved to be one of the most intricate manoeuvres of all. Two kinds of camera — an

X-ray machine over the chest, and a sonic camera down the oesophagus — helped Mr Campanella to position it with pinpoint accuracy.

"We are operating a millimetre from death," he observes calmly. "It doesn't always go right."

camera on the end of another tube peered through a hole in the ribs. This gave us our most breathtaking view of the pulsating heart. "My God," one of the

anaesthetists says, watching it in awe. "All we need is Sigourney Weaver and we'll be right in the middle of

But Mr Campanella glanced at it rarely. Instead, he was carrying out his repair through the narrow access point with long instruments to reach down behind the heart

He needed light, he needed magnifying spectacles, he needed the steadlest of hands and absolute concentration.

Above all, he needed a team there were endless checks on Mr Ewan's temperature, blood flow, heart activity and blood pressure, all constantly

It was clear that, whatever its advantages for the patient, this was grueiling work for the surgeon. On several occasions Mr Campanella had to stop to nurse strength back into his cramped left hand.

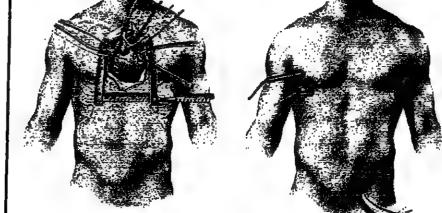
nserting a stitch and pulling it tight without tearing the delicate tissue of the heart is, at the best of times, a demanding operation.

To perform it at the end of a nine-inch pair of surgical tongs requires a different level of skill. Mr Campanella tells his students that if they can sew a bar of soft soap without pulling the stitch free they are beginning to get the hang of it. The last stages of the operation are also the most nerve-

racking.
The blood is transferred back to the heart, the bypass machine is turned off, all eyes switch to the heart monitor. Will it respond?

Frequently, help is needed in the form of electric fibrillators, or even hand massage direct to the heart. Sometimes, the chest has to be opened and the operation be-

You always have to expect the unexpected." Mr Campanella says. "If something can go wrong, it will go



(CPB). Recovery from a sternotomy is a significant part of convalescence. The latest technique is port-access minimally invasive mitral valve surgery, left. CPB is still used, but stemotomy is no longer necessary. Incisions are much less drastic, with consequently less trauma to the patient and a faster recovery. The port-access technology used by Ciro Campanella was veloped and made by Heartport Inc in Redwood City,

Ciro Campanella:"We are operating a millimetre from death. It doesn't always go right."

PROCEDURE THAT TAKES A SURGEON MERIODICH THE KEYHOLE

wrong." But this time, as we watched, the horizontal line on Mr Campanella is still perfectng the technique. We'll have to find a way of the monitor began to quiver, then to leap back into action. Through the small hole in Mr

getting more light in there," he comments. "At times I was literally operating in the But he is convinced that this

is the way heart surgery is going. Although he concedes it expensive, he has convinced the Infirmary that the investment is worthwhile. "If the patient gets better earlier, he leaves earlier, the

bed is freed up earlier. It all makes sense." he says. Back on the ward, Mr Ewan agrees. "I can't wait to get back into the garden," he says.

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# A voyage round Cardboard City

#### Research for his new novel led John Mortimer to make friends with London's homeless.

he homeless beggars in cardboard boxes behind the Savoy have become accustomed to finding John Mortimer looming alongside them. "Nice, gentle people," he

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says - Mortimer is incapable of an illiberal thought - who talked about Rumpole, and read the Evening Standard." This nocturnal research was carried out for his new novel Felix In the Underworld, in which a novelist, to whom nothing much ever happens, is driven by circumstances to experience life at rock bottom in Cardboard City.

Mortimer is now friendly with several of the characters who sleep out between Lincoln's Inn and Shell-Mex House, guarding their territory and setting out their possessions as carefully as sailors or monks. He says apart from the young, who may be drug addicts and prostitutes, and a few "totally mad old women", they tend to be "confused middle-aged men who just can't cope after their families fall apart. Or young soldiers so institutionalised after the Army they can't look after

"One businessman I met couldn't face the back-tax he owed: he sleeps in the doorway of the Inland Revenue in Kingsway. You can make 30 quid a night, and if they spend it on six-packs of lager I don't mind," Mortimer says. "it's a perfectly honourable profession. I've never found them at all threatening." But then he was accompanied by the Queen's chaplain from the Savoy Chapel, or the homeless police from Charing Cross.

'I'm very much in favour of giving money to beggars; I feel no moral outrage. After all. I beg the entire time. For the Royal Court I'm holding out my hand for £5 million."

He says politicians from Bill Clinton to Jack Straw tell us we live "inside a stockade of property-owning, law-abiding, decent people. Outside are ravening hordes of alien beings who must be kept at bay. I wanted to show how we're all part of the same society, and how Felix could be reduced to living among them."

We discuss the homeless in the Garrick Club - "the Sheridan" in the novel, as in Rumpole. Sir Jeremy Isaacs and Melvyn Bragg sit near by: all three have been to see David Hare's new play. Mortimer told Hare he found it "irritatingly good". "Ah, envy," said Hare, "that's the best

tribute you could pay me." In a novel full of recognisable caricatures from the publishing world, I am struck by a quotation from Chekhov (Felix is known as "the Chekhov of Coldsands-on-Sea".) It's the novelist Trigorin in The Seagull saying: "I am haunted night and day by one persistent thought. I ought to be writing. I ought to be writing. I ought ... What is splendid and bright in that, I ask you?

Oh, it is an absurd life!" Mortimer, the Trigorin of

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the Thames Valley, is equally driven, even at 73. It's a ludicrous life. The endless compulsion to write, knowing that at the end they'll say 'he wasn't as good as Turgenev'." It is hard to imagine when you see him at convivial literary gatherings, but Mortimer can be gripped by gloomy self-doubt, assuageable only by writing more and more.

This year he has completed

new play - he'd almost filmscript for Franco Zeffirelli, Tea With Mussolini, and a film of Jessica Mitford's Hons and Rebels. He's now writing a Paradise Postponed update in which Leslie (now Lord) Titmuss colludes with Labour to defeat those who overthrew Thatcher, When not writing, he is out performing his anthology, Mortimer's Miscellany, in improbable venues, The adrenalin, the relief when it's over, no drug could produce the sensation. Like delivering your final speech in a murder trial — when you know the jury will do the rest.



Back we go in the car drinking champagne and eating petrolstation sandwiches."

His fees go to Turville Village School, bought for £220,000 and now run as a nursery school, open in the hols to deprived inner-city children. It was his wife Penny's project and it bitterly divided their village near Henley. "But we've aiready had one lot of children, and the villagers who had objected didn't even notice they were there. It's an excellent example of what can be achieved when people take matters into their own hands."

remy Paxman's recent El00-a-head quiz ar the River Café raised £18.000 for it; Tom Stoppard and Nick Hornby's table won, beating last year's winner John Gross "who knows the answer to everything, even who wrote

On election night, before dancing with the party faithful at the Festival Hall, the MortiKing Lear - "I took off my glasses when he took off his clothes" - and found Edgar's final speech peculiarly appropriate: "Speak what we feel, not what we ought to say ... " "We hadn't been allowed to say what we felt for so long. And everyone still seems pleased. I've never seen so many pleased Conserva-

However, he knows he is unlikely to become Lord Mortimer under the new regime, having been so vociferous against the foxhunting Bill. He has never hunted a lox himself, but Penny cuts a fine figure on a horse and runs a campaign, Leave Country Sports Alone. As a result they get sent disgusting things through the post.

thoritarianism, political correctness, a tendency to believe that you should send people to prison just for doing something you don't like. Labour is footling about with things that don't matter. Foxhunting doesn't matter a twit, does it?

If liberty means anything it means tolerance of people who do things you don't approve of, like smoking and foxhuming. Did you notice that on 'Leave your car at home day' a record number of cars came out on the streets of London? Every street was choked. You only have to try to ban something to make it really popular. The Labour Party has to understand: intolerance

However genial and expanive Mortimer's public persona. he keeps self-revelation firmly at bay, just as he did in his days as a persuasive advocate, "always saying what your client wants you to say, or what the judge or jury would like to hear".

But as a writer, too, he has created his own mythology of himself. Even his autobiographies are masterpieces of nonrevelation, written to amuse. "An interview is a work of liction realiy," he says. "People say only as much as they want, and invent roles for themselves. Evelyn Waugh invented that person. and performed it - and then the wind changed and he was stuck He had been reading a new

life of Chekhov and said he preferred not to know that Chekhov behaved like a cheetah: "Cheetahs can't make love to the same cheetah twice, the have to run and get another cheetah. Which is interesting but it doesn't really add to one's insight into Chekhov. I absolutely worship Dickens, but I don't need to know that he nailed up his wife's bedroom door and had a mistress. I love Matisse, but I'd rather not know that he collaborated with the Gestago."



Roughing it at the Savoy: John Mortimer at the rear of the hotel where he conducted his research among the homeless — "nice, gentle people"

# 'I wouldn't turn up wearing black'

am at that funny age. For the first time in my life I am receiving wedding invitations addressed to me rather than to my parents with me as an obligatory addendum. This summer, three of my old muckers will be tying the knot. One of them is my ex-

boyfriend. On the day he made the announce ment, my telephone was red hot. It seemed that everyone who had been a part of my life during the period when the ex and I were joined at the hip called up "just to see how I was". After the first caller, I could

disappoint the vultures by not even sounding surprised. I could hear the impatience in their voices as they asked polite questions about work and I made every single one of them listen to a protracted talk about the troublesome plumbing in my talty rented house before I would let them get to the point. All the time, they were longing to ask me "Have you When an ex-boyfriend decided to marry, Chris Manby didn't mind at all — until she found she wasn't invited to the wedding

heard? How do you feel about it? Don't you wish that it was you?"
How do I feel about it, I asked myself. A man I have not spoken to for three years is getting married to a woman I have never met. I feel just about the same as I did when Liam and Patsy took their vows. Largely emotionally unaffected ... but if I'm completely honest, I wouldn't have

minded an invitation. You see, there's the rub. While I promise that I really am not harbourng "it could have been me" feelings, I do get a little stab of pain each time one of the gang of pals the ex and I shared calls up for advice on wedding presents for my former beloved. Just about everyone has been invited, even the people who were on my side

during the crockery-throwing stage

of our relationship's decline. My ex's wedding is going to be the biggest gathering of my college friends since graduation and I'm not going to be there to see the likes of Jane from Sydney and Fred from Russia who won't make it back to England for another million years.

erhaps it is tasteless to invite an ex, but if they could spare me one little invitation, I swear I wouldn't turn up wearing black while making up a just impediment. I could do that without an invitation, after all. Besides, the had fairy at my ex's wedding is far more likely to be the girl who came between me and his current squeeze.

She quit her job to join him abroad a week before he announced that her employers were not the only people who had been busy finding a replacement for her.

Ah well. I am not entirely without reasons to buy a hat this summer.

One more problem. The invitations that I do have stipulate "and guest".

Whom should I take? How long do you have to know a man before you can ask him to be your escort to a wedding? In fact, can you ever safely take along a man who hasn't already proposed to you for fear of having him think that the whole day is supposed to be a hint?

My current boyfriend has expressed complete antipathy to the prospect of accompanying me down the aisle. Even if it is only halfway, to sit behind the bride's cousins. Some thing tells me that I'll be taking up those invitations alone. Still, it's supposed to be easy to pull at a wedding reception, isn't it?



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VISUAL ART: Richard Cork at the massive but depressing Documenta show in Kassel. Plus London exhibitions

# All tracks lead to nightmare

Kassel, for Documenta, the jumbo-size global round-up of contemporary art which galvanises this sleepy Ger-man dty every five years. To accommodate them, the press conference was shifted to a vast auditorium at the Stadthalle. But Catherine David, Documenta's oddly defensive French organiser. was in no mood to communicate. She contemptuously dismissed most questions as "foolish" or "ridiculous". As a public relations warm-up, the event was a disaster.

But at least she deigned to point out the significance of the show's itinerary, starting at the old railway station and moving in a line through the centre of Kassel to-wards the Baroque flamboyance of the white-and-gold Orangerie. Modern urban experience is her governing theme.

There is nothing celebratory about David's vision, though. An air of deteliction prevails at the disused station. The Viennese artist Lois Weinberger has planted weeds between the rusting tracks, and smashed up Tarmac in the car park like a drunken vandal. On the platforms, violence becomes more alarming. Tunga. from Brazil. hangs skulls over giant straw boaters and dangles body parts. severed and trussed, above an equally enormous brown felt hat.

Sigalit Landau's corrugated metal container on a nearby platform is scarcely more reassuring. She calls it Resident Alien, and once inside the stifling chamber we are forced to stagger across a mountainous, misshapen floor. Then, at the far end, a box hangs from the roof. Poke your head up inside it, and you quickly realise that you have passed through the hole in a Turkish toilet", Working in Jerusalem, Landau dramatises the plight of dispossessed communities with anger and disgust.

Down in the shabbiness of the underground passage leading to Kassel's main pedestrian precinct the mood becomes more desolate. Mounted in a light box, and gleaming like neon in the gloom. Jeff Wall's large colour photograph shows a man squatting against a

n astonishing cascade of journalists descended on Kassel, for Documenta, bag in his hand is as forceful and unexpected as a scream.

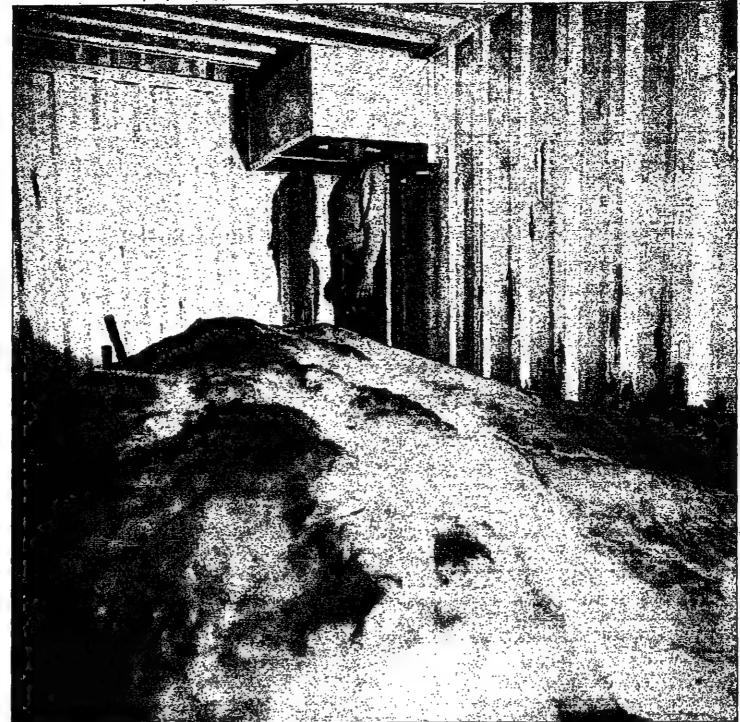
Respite is provided further along the tunnel, where Christine Hill has set up a "Volksboutique" in dingy shop premises. Describing herself ironically as an "Artslut", this young American talks to anyone entering her store. Secondhand clothes are available, and she seems ready to provide a welcoming, sociable space scattered with sweets and balloons.

But Hill's shop seems dull compared with the gritty humour of Peter Fried's video outside. Making aggressive sounds of slamming and beating, an enraged man in a subway attacks a cigarette machine. It refuses to function, and as he stalks away a begging bystander kicks him for refusing to give money.

hese subterranean pasing that they will soon be closed down. The city - built in the 1950s, after British bombs flattened Kassel -now looks like a melancholy victim of the German recession. But nobody should be surprised that an event as expensive as Documenta is staged here. The overwhelming crowds it attracts throughout the summer ensure that the exhibition generates much-needed business.

The arch-dissenter Hans Haacke, however, provides a warming for anyone who views the marriage between art and commerce too naively. His garish poster, wrapped round an advertising pillar at the base of Kassel's focal "Stairway Street", is dominated by an image of a Dada-like wooden puppet. Haacke has adorned his automaton with quotations from business leaders who relish the power of arts sponsorship. It is a tool for public opinion," declares one, while Hilmar Kopper of Deutsche Bank bluntly declares that "whoever pays, controls".

To her credit, the tough-minded Catherine David has produced a show fiercely opposed to such manipulation. But in her determination to offer something more than spectacular entertainment.



In Resident Alien, a metal container on a disused station, Sigalit Landau attempts to symbolise the plight of dispossessed peoples

she errs towards dryness. This is a cerebral Documenta that smacks of the schoolroom. David would rather provide a stern, educative experience than anything associated with the suspect enticements of

She favours a documentary apharshness of inner-city life. And at the grand 18th-century Museum Fridericianum her stem priorities are made uncompromisingly clear. An immense space is set aside for Gerhard Richter, whose paintings could have given the 1997 Documenta a welcome shot of sensual vitality. But the walls are lined instead with Atlas, an archival work-in-progress containing all

the family snapshots, press cuttings, sketches and other material he uses as the source of his work. Memorable images lurk among the thousands of pictures assembled here, from concentration camp pictures and blurred pornography to intimate studies of Richter's family. But they lack the command-

ing presence of his large canvases.

The emphasis on photography, in room after room, soon becomes relentless. And David's insistence on setting new work in the context of the past often turns the exhibition into a history lesson. The great excitement of Documenta, at its provocative best, has always lain in a stimulating overview of new

developments. Here, to my sur-

prise, I found generous spaces devoted to Walker Evans's subway portraits of the late 1930s, and Helen Levitt's camera studies of street life in East Harlem during the Second World War. David probably wants them to enhance our understanding of Jeff Wall's room. But Wall's new commitment to black-and-white photography

needs no help from Evans or Levitt. Richard Hamilton's contribution is impressive enough to stand on its own as well. Based on an identical reconstruction of the space at the Anthony d'Offay Gallery, where this series of Seven Rooms was first shown, Hamilton's cool images offer a tour of his own house. They are computer-assisted paintings,

providing a lucid yet mysterious royage of discovery

Few other British artists are included. The conceptual group Art & Language has never looked better, with a beguiling two-room display of brilliantly coloured panels each containing a double-page spread from a book. The fact that the panels take the form of furni-

ture only adds to the unease. On the whole, though, David ignores the new British art. Rather than including a dead animal by Damien Hirst, she opts for Gabriel Orozco's human skuli covered with a finely drawn chequerboard of black squares. And among the least familiar names in the show, she scores a bull's-eye with a powerful

TRANQUILLITY is not, on the in art today. Art is supposed to stimulate, to excite, to challenge, and quietists such as Morandi or Hammershoi tend to get shouted down. Fortunately this has never been so in China, where the Buddhist virtues of quietude, balance and reserve have never ceased to be venerated. The advantages of such an approach are demonstrated in Eskenazi's show of Chinese Buddhist Sculpture, dating from Eastern Wei (6th century) to Early Ming (14th-15th century).

Numerically it is a small show —
only 16 pieces — though a couple of
them, such as the headless Sui
marble Buddha, are quite large. But it is the spirit which pervades the show that is really striking. It reflects a life of philosophical contemplation, far removed from worldly strife. If consolation is a egitimate function of art, one could hardly ask for a better place to find

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video film by the Trinidad-born, Ghent-based Johan Grimonprez. Primarily reliant on archive footage of aeroplane hijacks throughout the world, he includes sequences so harrowing that they could never have been shown on British TV news. His mastery is incontestable, cutting between documentary shots, science fiction films and his own reconstructions with the help of Ironic music and spoken extracts based on Don DeLilio's wry novels. The whole work had a visceral impact, a sense of urgency and a wrenching emotional attack which so much of Documenta desperately lacked. The exhibition continues in Kassel (00-19-056) 707270) until Sept 28

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# Overstating the point

aburo Teshigawara is not the first choreographer to be fascinated by air. Trisha Brown, Lucinda Childs and Rosemary Butcher dances with an invisible partner. But the Japanese choreographer sees air as more than

DANCE

Teshigawara Queen Elizabeth Hall

just an imagined physical presence, For him it is a metaphor for the elusiveness The 90-minute work he brought to LIFT '97 last week,

I Was Real - Documents, attempts to mould the air in much the same way as a sculp-tor moulds clay. This is no coincidence, for Teshigawara is a trained sculptor and the impulse to construct immutable objects is there in his choreography. The focused and methodical concentration of his movement language is also sculptural in its realisation, at times literally so when Teshigawara carves resonant images of stillness using the strong bodies of the dancers in his Karas company.

Teshigawara perceives the



Saburo Teshigawara, an impressive figure on stage

oppressive and weighty, wrap-ping a cloak around the movement and lulling it into inert shapes. It can be invigorating and catalytic, generating speed and sinewy flexibility in the dancers. The air can even be turbulent, encouraging the dance into uninhibited bursts

The air is also alive with a wealth of evocative sounds (music compilation by Kei Miyata and Teshigawara): insects in the night, ringing brass calls, raucous, rhytunic drones. The dancers, too, air in different guises. It can be make their own noise, cough-

ing, growling and screaming into the echoing wilderness. Over and over they unleash vocally as Teshigawara appears obsessed with the disturbances their amplified cries make as they travel through

The staging is minimalist, something of a surprise from someone famous for the elaboration of his sets. The urge to populate the performing space with things is restricted to a few metal trolleys.

This leaves the choreography free to carry Teshigawara's message, and it is certainly imbued with whatever quality he is seeking to convey. Teshigawara himself is an impressive figure on stage, but his constant need to replay the creative process through the endless repetition of movement and sequence smacks of narcissistic selfindulgence. We get the point long before he is finished making it, and just when we think he will stop he makes it

As the title suggests, this is a work that invites us to probe further into metaphysical territory. Yet if Teshigawara really does want us to question the nature of reality, he would do well to remember that keeping the audience's attention must be the first priority.

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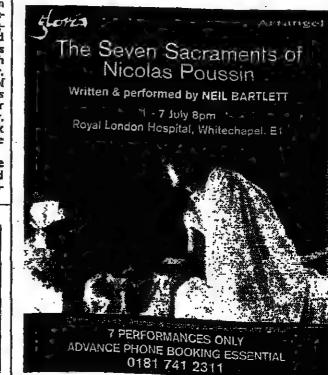
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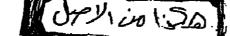


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POP: Radiohead hit the big time on their own terms; Brazil's Gilberto Gil looks set to follow

# No hype, just the glory

iven the tumultuous critical and commercial applause which greeted Radiohead on the release of their album. OK Computer, expectations were of Everest-type proportions for this open-air concert at the RDS Showgrounds. Indeed, singer Thom Yorke announced that it was the band's biggest headline gig to date.
But if Radiohead did feel a squadron

of butterflies in their collective stomach at the sight of 35,000 people - mainly teenagers - staring back at them, they did not show it. The truth is that this

> Radiohead Dublin

performance saw Radiohead prove themselves as one of the select few stadium rock bands of our times who have not had to sacrifice credibility for

Scottish power-pop kings Teenage Fanclub kicked off proceedings with a warmly received set that was unfortunately marred by an appalling sound mix. From where this writer was sitting, they were unrecognisable as the same band who only the night before gave one of the most magnificent performances ever seen on a Dublin

stage. Shame.

Massive Attack — who have been asked to remix Radiohead's new album by the band themselves — suffered the same fate. All the subtleties and intricate musical patterns woven by the acclaimed Bristol trip-hop troupe were literally blowing in the wind, lost in a sonic black hole that made their usually hypnotic slow-motion rhythms seem like one long, repetitive thud. Also, the downbeat nature of their music is better suited to the early hours than early evening.

Everything fell into place, however, for Radiohead. There are moments when Yorke's voice sounds as though it could purify the most diabolical of souls. When he hits the high notes on Fake Plastic Trees, Bulletproof... I Wish I Was, and, during the first encore, Street Spirit (Fade Out), he sings like a soprano in a midnight

choir, trying in his way to be free. But if Yorke is the embodiment of

more from Gilberto

AFTER the third encore, with

a capacity crowd still de-



"The tag of beautiful losers attached to Radiohead since day one has disappeared. These are beautiful winners"

that most puzzling of paradoxes, namely the shy superstar, guitar fiend Jonny Greenwood goes for glory with an exhilarating devil-may-care attitude. The grunge-tinged My Iron Lung

breathtaking. The material from the new album

may not have had quite the same impact as these instant classics from the Oxford quintet's 1995 masterpiece, The Bends - or, of course, as the still seminal Creep - but the sheer class of songs such as Lucky and No Surprises was there for all to see.

And, as the final notes of High and

Dry drifted into the Dublin night air. so the tag of beautiful losers, which has been attached to Radiohead since day one, seemed to disappear into the ether. Beautiful, yes, but now they look

NICK KELLY

skilfully mixed old-favourite Sambas by Marley's ghost sambas such as Aquele *Abraco* with elements of 1970s-style heavy rock, imperialism by the Left, such straightforward peppy Latin pop and occasional snatches of floating, falsetto vocals that

> Buckley irresistibly to mind. Given Gil's strong appeal to both feet and head (his latest album contains references not only to Emily Dickinson and Lao Tse but also to quantum physics) and, above all, his extraordinary charisma, it is difficult to resist the though that he could become, even this late in his career, the next Mariey.

even brought the late Jeff

#### completely bracing The Leenane Trilogy

There is a type of biscuit popular in Ireland called a Kimberley. It is a sandwich of two thick, orange discs with the texture of crumbly foam rubber, held

together by a sweet, preternat-urally sticky, white paste. It may not be essential to know this when approaching Martin McDonagh's hilarious, shocking and magical Leenane Trilogy (The Beauty Queen of Leenane, A Skull in Connemara and The Lonesome West) - seen together for the first time in a joint produc-tion by Galway's Druid Theatre and London's Royal Court but it certainly helps.

In these biscuits, consumed as they are with a strange mixture of disdain, tolerance and resigned voraciousness, McDonagh finds a typically comic, precise metaphor for his characters' attitude to their rugged Connemara home-land. While it is only one tiny detail, among scores of such, McDonagh holds up the would-be treat like the Host in a monstrance, the murderous, hostile word made biscuit.

The playwright's vision might be, at its simplest, an extreme view of what rain does to the soul. Many other factors, such as famine, loneliness and isolation, have contributed to forming this strange community, with its decade-spanning slights and squabbles and its ruthless Galway

THEATRE: Stunning village of the damned; Ibsen tongue-tied

Outlook miserable and

a rain shadow seems to have done more than its fair share of damage.

Quiet desperation is not an option for McDonagh's drenched hill people. They rail against their fate, gouging, punching, bludgeoning every one and everything that might possibly be contributing to their misery. The only aspect of these dirty deeds that seems to give anyone pause is that they are prohibited, by priests and policemen, from celebrating them fully.

ost, it might seem. envy the freedom granted to two characters in A Skull in Connemara. Gravedigger Mick Dowd (Mick Lally) and his junior. Mairtin Hanlon (David Wilmot), have to exhume the bones of long buried bodies to make room for fresh corpses, something clearly not in short supply in these parts.

Having gathered a hemp sackful of bones, they head home to complete their task. This involves laying the skulls on the kitchen table and setting about them with wooden mallets. The animalistic ritual that follows sees dust and skull fragments flying as the gravedigger enjoys the final victory over his hated

neighbours that everyone in Leenane seems to crave. Francis O'Connor's designs

throughout meld precisely with McDonagh's dramas, Filthy pots and sticky porridge fill the interiors, while heavy, grey rain folds into a space behind, where a carefully lit crucifix flies, like a confused Jolly Roger, throughout all

three plays.

Garry Hynes's production at the Town Hall Theatre draws together a cast that amounts to a Druid dream team. In The Beauty Queen, Anna Manahan stars as the scheming, pathetic and malicious Mag. and Marie Mullen as her daughter Maureen. slipping between a living death seeing to her mother's needs and an all too vivid fantasy of sex and love. In A Skull in Connemara Lally plays the possibly psychotic gravedigger with uncanny entleness, while Maeliosa Stafford has the triumph of the day as foul-mouthed, patricidal and, given the chance, fratricidal Coleman Connur in The Lonesome West.

Relative newcomers to the Druid, Wilmot and Brian F. O'Byrne also excel. O'Byrne shows up as the lanky Garda with Quincy pretensions in A Skull in Connemara, and as the miserable half of a warring pair alongside Stafford in

LUKE CLANCY

#### Lost on a tour of babble

The Story of

COVENTRY Arts Alive, the summer festival running for most of this month and into July, is attracting companies from six European countries, and three of those are represented in this one show at the Belgrade Studio. A cast of three tells the story of Peer's life-journey from deer hunter to Button Moulder, and tells it in Norwegian, Italian and

Danish, as well as English Else Marie Laukvik, Norwegian-born but a co-founder of the Danish-based Odin Teatret, plays Peer most of the time: Tiziana Barbiero, of Teatro Tascabile di Bergamo, plays Peer some of the time: and Bo Clausen from Denmark's Teatret Marquez plays him none of the time but expertly handles musical instruments and shares the role of the Button Moulder.

The result is odd and, on the whole, unsatisfying. Greater familiarity with the other languages would obviously increase understanding of what CHRIS PARKER | is being said, but the rapid

Peer Gynt Coventry

slither from one to another would not lose its peculiarity. except for those lucky enough to be so polylingual they are scarcely aware of the shifts. However, the tradition to

which Odin Teatret belongs is a long way from being textbased, standing as it does between Western practices and those of Eastern theatre. mediated through techniques developed by Grotowski. What this means in performance is plenty of emphatic facial expressions and a tendency to walk silently with the knees brought up high to allow the foot to feel, as it

were, its way forward. This is how Laukvik tiptoes on to the stage after the other two have established the show's quirky mood with a twittering violin and an answering guitar. The shriller notes of the violin, added to Barbiero's perky gait and sometimes desperate smiles, suggest a reincomation of Yiddl with the fiddle - an intriguing notion, though hardly the obvious environment for the heroic rogue of Norwegian folklore,

Laukvik is a celebrated actress in her home country, and the arduous training at Odir enables her to change characters with a swift tilt of the head or an intake of breath that begins as an old woman's and ends as her son's. The down side of this is bewilderment as she and Barbiero switch roles. for no clear reason other than to give the older actress the next major speech. Agile and inventive though

the performers are, these personal impressions and expressions of highlights of the Ibsen play contribute too few insights to make the endeavour more than a private exercise.

JEREMY KINGSTON

#### Gil and his seven-piece band, the Barbican lights were turned on. Given the heat generated over two hours of music which had the audience on its feet dancing for much of the time, the turning on of the sprinklers might have been more appropriate.

The extraordinary reaction Gil's performance elicited from a largely Brazilian audience belied its relative understatement. Unless you are Shirley Bassey, raising a large crowd to such a peak of rapture generally involves sustained badgering or constant reminders that the con-

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#### cert's host city is the closest thing he or she knows to

home. There was a hint of the former, but of the gentlest sort occasionally Gil would stretch his hands elegantly over his head and suggest a rhythm in which his hearers might like to participate, or sing an improvised phrase and invite an echo.

He also asserted that he loved London but, since he lived here in the early 1970s after alienating the Brazilian Government, this also rang

Indeed, the very reasons

Gilberto Gil Barbican

why he incurred his rulers' displeasure at that time - his spearheading of the "Tropicalismo" movement, which opened up Brazilian popular music to everything from the Beatles to Chuck Berry - are precisely the source of his wide appeal today.

Although his openness to such influences was seen then as subversive by the Right and as an example of cultural eclecticism is not only acceptable, but almost compulsory these days. Accordingly, although he

began his concert very much on "home" territory with a selection of characteristically thoughtful crooned meditations from his latest album. Ouanta, he soon began adding more apparently extraneous elements to his musical

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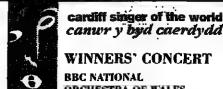
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# Mr Brown, read our lips: higher taxes

Anatole Kaletsky says Labour

is wrong to stick to Tory limits

ne of the most gratify-ing results of the last general election was the way it confounded the selfappointed oracles of the popular p-yche - the pundits who claimed a direct rapport with the British people which offered them an insight not available to ordinary mortals who merely followed the ebbs and flows of the opinion polls.

These were the oracles who predicted, after canvassing their dinner-party compan-ions and taxi drivers, that the people would feel their wallets bulging and re-elect John Major. That such predictions were refuted on May I was a victory not only for Labour, but also for common sense. By election day the pollsters had interviewed hundreds of thousands of ordinary people, se-lected carefully on a scientific statistical basis. If their con-clusions had proved less accurate than a straw poll of taxi drivers, then all serious efforts at analysing public opinion

would have to be set at nought. Next week Gordon Brown will deliver the first Labour Budget for 18 years — and to judge by leaks over the week-end, he is already under pressure to modify his election promises to stick to the Tory

limits on public spending and taxes. And what have these public spending pressures to do with the accuracy of opinion polls?

There are many arguments both for and against tax-financed public spending, but in Britain

they are rarely heard. Whatever may be said for or against higher health spending (which is very low in Britain by international standards) or educational pending (which is quite high), all rational argument is drowned out by cynical realpolitik: the voters will not tolerate higher taxes. But what is the evidence for

Whenever the pollsters ask a cross-section of the public whether the Government should raise taxes and spend the money on health and education, the answer is "yes". According to the most detailed recent survey of this issue, the British Social Attitudes Survey for 1996-97, support for higher taxes to finance more spending on health, education and social benefits was 61 per cent in the 1996-97 survey, compared with only 32 per cent in 1983. Even when pollsters point out the extra tax that would have to be paid by the person questioned, the majority answer came back loud and clear - "please, Chancellor, raise our taxes and spend the money on

health and education. Politicians and analysts have always reacted to such findings with a shrug. People like to express altruistic sentiments to polisters, but that tells us nothing about what they really feel - they simply lie to the pollsters. But why are the politicians so sure that all these answers are lies? Because the voters keep lying to the pollsters about both their altruism and their voting intentions. Whatever they say to the pollsters, they keep reelecting Tory governments which promise to cut both taxes and spending. Ergo, the polls about tax and spending But hang on a moment: both

the main premises of this argument have just been they did not lie to the pollsters (or at least their lying was confined to the error of about 5 per cent). Why, then, do the chattering classes and the politicians (including the new Labour leadership) continue to ridicule all indications that public opinion favours more public spending, financed by

As far as I can see there is only one remaining reason: Tony Blair won this election by promising not to raise taxes, and to do otherwise would be a fatal breach of trust. This argument is unconvincing. First, Mr Blair did not rule out raising taxes and public spending. All he prom-

ised was not to raise the rates of income tax and VAT. On the spending side, Mr Brown said he would stick to the Tory spending limits in the first two financial years of the new Government. He gave no hints whatsoever about his intentions beyond April 1999.

The

message

from the

electorate

was clear

In fact, both the Chancellor and the Prime Minister pointedly refused to give any promises on either taxes or public spending beyond the clearly de-fined commitments two-year spending

targets. The very limited nature of these commitments was widely remarked by the media and attacked by the Tories. How, then, could anyone claim that an increase in taxes to fund public spending from 1999 onwards was a breach of

The standard answer is that voters chose to interpret the narrow election commitments much more broadly. Voters assumed that there would be no increase in taxes or spending, even if no such promises were actually made. But where is the evidence for this? Certainly not in any objective survey conducted by Gallup in the two days after the election found no less than 86 per cent of voters believing that the new Government would raise taxes, with 20 per cent saying that taxes would go up "a lot",

while 60 per cent thought they would rise "a little". Given that the Liberal Democrats were absolutely explicit in their support for higher taxes, a total of 69 per cent of the electorate voted for parties that were identified with higher taxes - very similar to the numbers who have said in other polls that they generally

favoured higher taxes and

public spending. Today's Labour leaders are children of the Thatcher-Reagan era. They cannot resist the conventional wisdom that people will always vote against higher taxes. Yet the election's message was loud and clear: voters have had enough of the private affluence and public squalor of the 1080s. A new balance must now be struck.

Love match



"DON'T WORRY, SON, I'LL GET YOU IN."

# The heights of folly

ad things happen on moun-tains. Seven years ago on the Mont Blanc massif in the French Alps, a very bad thing happened to Gerry Hedley and his paid guide David Cuthbertson. The two climbers started before dawn, and were negotiating their second ice-face when the guide became concerned about a rock fall as the early sun melted the ice. The area is growing notoriously unpredictable as temperatures rise and the glaciers

Mr Cuthbertson made a fast decision, setting only a single icescrew to anchor his partner as he traversed the slope towards a safer area. In the Alps, climbers say, you are forever compromising between technical security and speed, simply because your safety often depends on moving quickly out of the path of potential rock and ice falls. This time. the guide's decision did not pay off. A sheet of ice suddenly gave way, Mr Cuthbertson fell, and it was his pupil and partner who died as a result. As I said, bad things happen on mountains.

Years later, a different kind of bad thing has happened to Mr Cuthbertson in the High Court. He was sued for compensation on behalf of the six-year-old son of Gerald Hedley. After hearing the story of what happened up on the Tour Ronde seven years before, on Friday Mr Justice Dyson ruled against the guide and in favour of the child.

The judge spoke of "a serious mistake" and said that there had not been "overriding reasons" for not setting a second ice-anchor and a running belay. The orphan will get compensation; the insurers will pay.

It is not my place to criticise a mother for pursuing such a case on her child's behalf, not in the present litigious age. Moreover, it is hard for anybody who is not a climber and was not on that mountain to judge properly, seven years after the event, just how hot the sun was, how fast the melt seemed to be, and how valid were the decisions made in those few minutes by an experienced man; a man, moreover, who was stretched by responsibility and effort to a level of heightened awareness which few of us ever reach. We were not there

and we cannot tell. But then, neither can the judge. In the ice-free setting of a court of law it is easy enough to rule that there were no "overriding circumstances" to excuse departure from a "standard Damages awards for sporting accidents carry their own risk

procedure"; but those who get closer to mountains, such as Andy McNae. of the British Mountaineering Council, reject such comfortable simpl-

"The fundamentals of climbing," says Mr McNae, "are personal judgment and personal responsibility." From the Scottish Mountaineering Council another climber, Kevin Howett, says more baldly that quite often, there is no right decision". A woman Alpinist I rang at the weekend was even harsher. "I truly weep for the wife and child," she said, "but when you go climbing, you know perfectly well

that if you can't take a joke you shouldn't have joined. You think I'm callous. don't you? I'm not. I'm realistic. When l have a family I'll say goodbye to the it's not safe

These are very voice of a society which likes everything to be somebody's fault, and expects somebody's insurer to pay up. Set against it is the voice of men and women who choose pastimes which are never entirely safe. Whether you find them in climbing, offshore sailing, steeplechasing, diving or skydiving, the voice is constant. For all their carbon-fibre helmets and survival-suits and webbing harnesses and tempered steel snaplock whatsits, these people are noticeably reluctant to apportion blame to those

overtaken by disaster. They know that sometimes you have to make hard, quick decisions and that your luck might run out. They reserve their anger for genuine negligence. If it is obvious that somebody has taken novices out on a culpably ill-found boat, neglected to maintain equipment, or led pupils up mountains in the wrong shoes, they are furious. They blacklist diving schools where the regulators are never serviced, and parachute clubs where packing is sloppy. But they don't condemn their peers for making wrong decisions when danger is moving fast. "Could happen to anyone," they mutter into their beer at the club. "There, but for the grace of

Talking about the Hedley case at the weekend, those of us who know boats better than mountains tried to translate what happened into sailing terms: we imagined a knockdown caused by reefing a sail too late, and that we had delayed because we were running for shelter and worried about a fast tide turning.

Or it could be a novice swept from the cockpit because a squall hit just as he was re-anchoring his harness (a judge, seven years on, might beswayed by the fact that a few boats

carry two straps per harness, so that nobody is even briefly disconnected). Then I asked divers to imagine the same, and they

had no trouble

sketching out seenarios of blockage and tangle, where the avoidance of one another, and yet must be risked. They cited the incident in Falmouth last week when rapid decisions saved a

When you sign up for one of these activities - or, more terrifying, when you sign your under-age son or daughter up - you generally have to fill in a disclaimer chit. My son the junior diver refers to it as "that form which says you don't mind dying". He clearly has a better understanding than some adults.

What is more, that understanding seems to concentrate his mind wonderfully on checking over his gear and that of his dive-buddy, asking questions at the dive briefing, backing out of excursions he considers beyond him, and studying the qualifications of the instructor with narrowed, suspicious eyes. I am always pleased to see that happening. Everybody knows, however, that the don't-mind-dying forms are legally worthless. You can still

When that happens, it is of paramount importance that the courts tread carefully. Judges should allow a generous margin of respect for the guide or teacher's presumed profes-

sional judgment, and for the edgen-cies of the moment. They should err on the side of robustness, and remember that people who take up adventurous sports are in a very different position from cinemagoers or Saturday mall shoppers. Cavear emptor if you buy a dog it might bite you, if you buy an adventure you

Courts should be prepared at times to disappoint the bereaved or the injured, however blameless, rather than appear to demand that risk sports be conducted with a ritualistic, namyish rulebook correctness which could in itself be dangerous.

Of course negligence must be punished - there was no excuse at all for what happened in the Lyme Bay canoe disaster. Of course minors need to be protected. But when rational adults sign up to follow a leader into a hostile environment. they accept the responsibility for choosing the right guide.

They should also accept that with the best will in the world there may be circumstances when nobody can save them. As the legendary singlehanded sailor Blondie Hasler used to say, setting out to sea yet again without a radio, "every herring must hang by its own tail":

t should be obvious why this matters so much. Apart from the moral question, there is an urgent practical one. Judgments against mountain leaders and other adventure instructors will have two effects. They will scare some people out of the profession altogether, and they will push up the insurance premiums of those who

Therefore such leaders become scarcer and even more expensive. Therefore keen novices often young and therefore hard up will take less instruction, and attempt dangerous feats without guidance. Therefore more of them will die.

The danger will be even greater for those who never had any chance of proper outdoor education in their schooldays because their school was even more terrified of being blamed in the courts for things which nobody could possibly have prevented. But don't start me off on that subject or we shall be here all day. And some of you no doubt (so I hope) have mountains to climb and seas to explore, without so much as a copy of The Big Boy's Book of Compensation Law in your backpack.

### Defending our seat at top table

Sue Cameron says

Denver seals a new special relationship

brash boom town in the American Rockies may seem an unlikely source of salvation for Whitehall civil servants. But for some of Britain's most senior officials last weekend's summit of world leaders in Denver, Colorado; marked

the end of a nightmare.

The vision that haunted Whitehall's top people was of a Brigain stripped of the last trappings of Great Power status, isolated not just from the rest of Europe, but from America.

On the eve of the election, the European - Commissioner Yves Thibault de Silguy spoke of how, by early next century, the G7 summit of industrialised nations might be superseded by meetings of a G3 made up of America. Japan and the European Union. Britain, having turned her back on the EU, would be excluded. It was the scenario that Whitehall dreaded.

Now the Denver summit has restored the old warmth between the UK and America and put such fears UK and America and put such lears to rest. The renewal has been encouraged by a good personal relationship that has developed between Tony Blair and Bill Clinton, and by Britain's tough stance on European defence in Amsterdam: It has also been underpinned by the Foreign Office quietly following its own private agenda.

The Bureign Office has always seen

The Poreign Office has always seen Britain as a bridge between America and Europe, but under the Major Government it watched uneasily as President Clinton made overtures to Germany, It feared that Britain would be marginalised, while America forged closer links within the European Union. Yet as long as the

European Union. Yet as long as the Government was tearing itself apart over Europe. Whitehall had only limited room for manoeuvre.

Its crucial tactic was to pack our Washington Embassy with its brightest and best experts on Europe— starting with Sir John Kerr, the Ambassador, who was formerly the UK representative in Brussels Sir UK representative in Brussels. Sir John is returning to Britain at the end of the summer to become head of the Foreign Office. A hot tip to succeed him in Washington is Jeremy Greenstock, whose job as the Foreign Office political director involves him

mer director of European Union affairs, has become number two in Washington. Anthony Cary and John Sawers, political counsellors at the embassy, have both had wide experience of dealing with Europe - Cary as head of the Foreign Office EU department. With the key posts in Washington held by pe intimate knowledge of the European Union, all the Foreign Office could do

Inside Whitehall there were growing fears that extreme Eurosceptics failed to appreciate that cutting our ties with the EU would mean the end to the "special relationship" with America. More to the point, the Americans themselves made their attitude quite clear. Robert Hunter, the US Ambassador to Nate. told me: We Americans like to see our British friends playing a very active role in Europe. That's where the future lies. Cleaving to us is wonderful but it's not going to be sufficient. The fact of power, the facts of economics, are that an effective Britain is a Britain firmly and finally engaged in Europe.

was wait.

The message was clear, yet Whitehall doubted whether some British politicians had understood. In April, just before the 🚅: general election, one permanent secretary remarked glumly: "My personal view is that there is no way forward for Britain if we follow a truly Eurosceptical line. It's a Little England policy. If that's what people really want, then OK - but do they understand the consequences?"

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Tory Eurosceptics might retort that most British mandarins always were Europhiles, if not closet federalists. Yet if that was ever true, it isn't now. Whitehall would indeed view with grave misgivings the prospect of Britain pulling out of the EU altogether, but some of the sharpest criticism of the European Commission can be heard inside the Foreign Office itself - particularly among those who have had close dealings with Brussels bureaucrats.

Now officials find their view very much closer to Tony Blair's tenderbut-tough approach — positive on the fundamental principle, but as hardline as they come on specifics. It was Mr Blair's uncompromising stand on defence at Amsterdam backing Nato and rejecting any moves to give the Eurocrats greater influence - that earned him such a warm welcome from the Americans in Denver.

The stage is now set for Britain to act as linkman between America and Europe. This pivotal role has long been a goal for the Foreign Office. Traditionally, it has been one of the main planks of Conservative foreign policy, 100. As our men in Washington stand poised to strengthen and exploit the resurgence of British influence on both sides of the Atlantic, the irony is that even tough Eurosceptics such as Michael Howard, the new Shadow Foreign Secretary, may find it hard to challenge the new bridge-building diplomacy.

Fickle fame: Sam West

Idling at the Alfred Dunhill Queen's Cup polo final, he said that many of the parts he was auditioning for were going to people five years younger than himself. Let us hope that his American sojourn will be short-lived: his is the sort of straight-up-and-down talent we need more of.

#### his rear, leaving a tight, uncomwith a butler, a cook, a swimming pool, a Suzuki jeep and neighbours such as Princess Margaret. Because of extensive building works, however, this year the house will be uninhabitable throughout the peak season. Luckily this will make only a small dent in the Jagger housekeeping fund. "We hope the works will be complete by September," a Mustique travel agent tells me, "but our island builders are rather unpredictable." Winter bookings are already being taken, but potential occupants of the souped-up villa are being carefully vetted. "We have decided not to rent to anyone in-

the actor son of Timothy West and Prunella Scales, has discovered. A few years ago he was everywhere, not least in the film adaptations of Carrington and Howards' End. Now, however, the work has dried up and he is off to America, to New Hampshire, to be a drama teacher.

# agents and television people at Wimbledon whose world Miss

FROM all the hubbub surround-

ing Tim Henman at Wimbledon

vesterday emerged the news that

he and his girlfriend Lucy Heald

will be moving in together. This is

fast work from Henman, 22, and

Heald, 23, who started stepping

out together only at the very end of

in living arrangements was spreading fast among the various

Word of the impending change

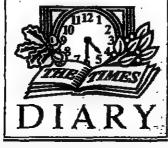
Courting: Tim and Lucy

Heald inhabits. She produces tennis programmes for the television arm of Henman's powerful sports agency IMG.

Despite the numerous pressures on their friendship, so far it seems to have gone as smoothly as a Henman groundstroke. Miss Heald can often be seen bolting from Henman's Chiswick flat and the pair are said by all who know them to be heartbreakingly in love. Living in different places takes vet more minutes out of the little time they have together, so it makes sense to merge.

She was not watching Henman's victory over Daniel Nestor yesterday but can be expected, should her man reach the second week of the tournament, to be striking suitably concerned poses from the players' family box. Then, presumably, back to the shared home for tea and aching muscles.

 Sighs of relief echoed round Wimbledon yesterday where rain hindered progress on the first day. Sir Cliff Richard, who astonished everybody last year when he sang on Centre Court to entertain the crowds during a downpour, promised that there would be no repeat



this year. He explained that it would detract from the magic of last year's performance.

#### Style counsel

IN choosing his new private secretary. William Hague, the Tory leader, has delved into the wreckage wreaked by mad cows. George Osborne. 26, was until the general election special adviser to Douglas Hogg, a job he performed with the sang-froid to be expected from the only man in high Tory circles, other than Lord Strathelyde, to wear Gucci to work.

With his obvious sense of style, he might care to do something about William Hague's suits. As many Tories are pointing out. Hague's double-breasted jackets. when buttoned up, as they most often are, fit rather too closely round

fortable feeling in the observer.

#### Stone-work

MUSTIQUE'S well-heeled holidaymakers are in despair. For the first time in eight years, Mick Jagger's six-bedroom villa on the north face of the island has been withdrawn from the summer-rentals market. Since 1989, Jagger's Japanese-style home has been available to rent through a London agent for £5,550 a week. It comes



"But ereenhouse gases are my only pleasure in life"

Privacy is proving a problem in the starkly minimalist London home of Chris Lowe, one half of the pop dun The Pet Shop Boys. He has eschewed every interior accessory, including doors. Lowe's shyer friends, however, have persuaded him to screen off the lavatory. Backstage at the Savoy Theatre, he

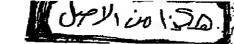
volved in the media," says the

agent. "The Jaggers are a very pri-

vate family."

says: "I've now got the same kind of toilet you get in McDonald's," In the wings

LIFE as a former Merchant Ivory pin-up can be hard, as Sam West,





#### WHERE CLINTON QUAILS

On climate change, there is no American leadership

When the world's most like-minded and most powerful club cannot agree on policies that would benefit both them and the world, they can hardly expect the inherently unwieldy forum of a United Nations conference to do better. The failure at Denver to set targets for reducing the West's emissions of the "greenhouse" gases that contribute to global warming has soured the prospects for this week's global environmental stocktaking, five years after the Rio "Earth Summit". America, which with 4 per cent of the world's people accounts for a quarter of greenhouse gas emissions, refused to play ball. Reducing these would be in America's own interest; but Bill Clinton's zeal for world leadership apparently stops short of taking on powerful domestic lobbies.

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The chances of solid results in New York were already poor. The political atmosphere at the UN is a good deal more polluted than was the rarefied air of Denver. For that Rio is much to blame. Instead of setting sensible priorities, the Rio "action plan" was a ragbag that conflated the indisputably urgent with the marginally desirable, and the price tag of \$125 billion a year in extra Western aid was unrealistic and diverted attention from the common environmental interest.

Before Rio, environmental diplomacy was making modest but real progress. Since then, the tone of international debate has been so stridently unproductive that even if the world's leading nations had brought a set of green commandments incised in tablets of stone down to Turtle Bay, they might well have been told to go away and come back with a wad of blank cheques. That does not alter the responsibility of the West, which produces the bulk of industrial emissions, to set exemplary standards.

Target-setting is a UN disease, but for greenhouse gas emissions, the case for them is unusually strong. Curbs cost money, so countries tend to be reluctant to act unless their main competitors are similarly bound.

The climate change convention was one of the few really important results of Rio, a green light in a murky world. Britain will meet the commitment then made by the West to stabilise emissions at 1990 levels by 2000 and Tony Blair now wants agreement to Britain's much more ambitious goal of actually reducing them, by 20 per cent within 20 years. The US, which relied on the voluntary approach, will fall 13 per cent short of the 2000 target. Two years ago, the Clinton Administration accepted the principle of binding limits. But at Denver, beyond opposing the British plan as too ambitious, it refused to be specific.

So far, the damage done at Denver is more psychological than actual. The deadline that matters is not this meeting in New York, but the treaty revision conference in Kyoto at the end of this year. Delay beyond that point would be perilous. By 2005 the developing countries, whose emissions are rising fast, must join the regime if disaster is to be averted. Hostile US senators are already insisting that the West must not give rapidly industrialising, seriously polluting, countries such as India and China a free ride. They have a point. On present trends, by 2020 the increase alone in China's CO2 emissions could exceed the entire current output of the OECD industrialised countries. But saying no is not enough.

The greening of the planet is not a favour the poor do the rich in return for cash; the poor suffer the most from polluted water, degraded farmland and desertification, just as they have fewer defences against global warming. Many steps they could take would even save money. But others are expensive. The West has technologies that could help them to leapfrog the "smokestack" phase the rich went through and an obvious interest in poor countries avoiding the worst environmental pitfalls of economic growth.

Other trade-offs are possible. The more countries have already done, the more costly further cuts are. Climate knows no boundaries, so the world could gain if rich nations paid for cuts in poor countries' emissions, which would be cheaper, crediting the reductions against their own emission quotas. But negotiations can only get tougher. If such bargains are to be struck, courageous precedents must be set by the West, now.

#### **CREDIT SQUEEZE**

The clearing banks are living on borrowed time

If Soames Forsyte were to return to the City of London today, he could walk into splendid marble floored banking halls and gain the instant impression that his industry was still as he left it. He would be mistaken. For while the buildings are listed as part of the national heritage, the banking industry is going through demolition and reconstruction on a scale which John Galsworthy's creation could never have envisaged.

City rumour, and that is the stuff on which the Square Mile feeds most voraciously, currently has it that the sledgehammer is hovering over National Westminster Bank. Its pillared Lothbury headquarters exudes Victorian solidity, but Natwest has just been embarrassed by a £77 million loss on trading in the breed of fancy paper instruments which bright young men like Nick Leeson purport to understand. While NatWest's problem would barely register on the Baring scale, it is indicative of a deeper difficulty within the bank, one which is also affecting its rival Barclays.

The pair have both opted to venture into investment banking, a sophisticated and dangerous world where Americans excel but British organisations seem to struggle. The urge to explore beyond their established business was understandable, even essential. When the supermarket doubles up as a finance house and building societies demutualise into banks that rain cash upon investors, inaction may presage death. Aiready the clearing banks that once played such a dominant role in our towns have had to retrench. Many of their former premises have been stripped of their dignity as well as their tellers to re-emerge as theme pubs.

Where once four major UK banks dictated the shape of financial services in Britain, they must now adjust to a new era where the stock market values the recently floated Halifax at £19 billion while it puts a price tag of less than £13 billion on NatWest. Becoming an international investment bank seemed a possible route forward for NatWest and Barclays but neither is currently looking like a winner in this hugely competitive industry, which combines commercial banking with corporate deal-doing, share-broking and all imaginable aspects of financial trading.

They have paid huge sums to acquire the firms which, theoretically, should have enabled them to join the big league banks. But while the businesses they bought made a reasonable living in the City in the days before Big Bang, they have not found it easy adjusting to the harsh new world. The American firms which have found London an hospitable base for furthering their global ambitions believe that the last vestiges of the old school tie may be strangling. British efforts to compete. In the days when London's merchant banks managed to combine shrewd financial brains with the aura of gentlemen's clubs, Eton

proved a fine source of talent. But success for an international investment bank depends on one skill above all else. There is no benefit to be had from the most skilled corporate financiers, best equities analysts or wondrously clairvoyant bond traders for a house which is lacking in customers. Selling is the all-important ingredient. And in corners of the City, that remains an activity best left to others.

#### **UNDER A CLOUD**

The rain deserves a sporting chance

It will be a source of some disappointment to patriots and sports lovers that yesterday's play at Wimbledon and the Test match was not completely rained off. If there is one pleasure greater, and certainly more familiar, than seeing an Australian ball lofted over the slips' outstretched hands and beyond the boundary it is seeing an English cloud lowering over the Lord's manicured square and drenching it thoroughly.

The combination of non-stop sunshine and non-stop victories is a rare one, and too much euphoria can lead to disorientation and, subsequently, depression as it becomes clear that the artifical "high" created by a run of England triumphs can never be recaptured. It is more comfortable for the British lover of sports to become gently intoxicated with the delicate cocktail of anticipation, reminiscence and warm beer which sustains the spectator while the

heavens pour as they did last week. The national character may be a fusion of Norman, Saxon and Celt, it could be the product of parliamentary government, it may be influenced by island geography but, above all, it is the result of rain. A stoical acceptance of steady precipitation helped the yeoman archers to victory at Agincourt and ensured that Tommy Atkins stood firm at

Ypres while allies wilted in the mud. This baptism of water not only imbues the British with a resilient spirit, it nourishes the imagination. Events which, in their majestic tedium, would test the patience of Job, or even a fan of Queen of the South, can be saved by the rain. From rained-off fetes for worthy causes to washed-out weddings for unworthy relations, inclement weather provides a focus for resentment, a conversation piece for ill-matched guests and an excuse for all other deficiencies. Rain, like adultery, provides an outlet for anger which masks deeper failings.

It is, however, at the sports ground that rain is most welcome. Just as the Russian Army's greatest commanders are Generals January and December so Britain owes much of its sporting success to summer showers. At Wimbledon, every match rained off allows a British player to say he survived beyond the tournament's first day.

For spectators, even more than sportsmen, rain is an ally. An afternoon at Lord's spent trading Wisden averages while the heavens and the hamper open up is, usually, richer entertainment than watching any actual team drive down their own averages. At Ascot, rain allows those unconcerned with fashion to concentrate on the real sport, in the White's Club tent, where a flickering TV will show what all true aficionados of sport want - two men chatting about Denis Compton while the tarpaulins grow sodden.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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#### responsibility

Prom Mr David L. Astor, CH. and Sir Louis Blom-Cooper, QC

Sir. We cannot agree with suggestions (letters, June 13 and 18) that, by restricting the ambit of questioning at a recent press briefing (report, June 7), the Lord Chancellor had displayed a threat to press freedom. Lord Irvine of Lairg's protestation against the charge (letter, June 14) is well founded:: his track record on freedom of information belies any such accusation.

Openness and frankness on the part of government (which the Lord Chancellor expressly espouses in his letter) will undoubtedly improve the relationship between government and the media, to the benefit of public understanding and knowledge of public affairs. The regulatory system govern-ing the relationship of the newspaper industry with its reading public deserves the new Government's prompt attention, however,

The excellent report in 1993 of the Select Committee on National Heritage recommended the enlargement and extension beyond the sole selfregulatory body, the Press Complaints Commission. That report, together with the then Lord Chancellor's consultation paper (also in 1993) foreshadowing a statutory right of privacy, produced a lame and noncommittal response in 1995 from the last administration.

The collapse of Jonathan Aitken's libel action against Granada TV and The Guardian, together with the result of the marathon case brought by McDonald's against two unrepresented defendants (reports, June 20), serve only to underline the need for reform of the defamation laws, alongside the introduction of a privacy law and the projected freedom of information egislation.

Can we now hope for — even dare to expect — legislation which will effectively combine press freedom and editorial/journalistic responsibility?

Yours faithfully. DAVID L. ASTOR, LOUIS BLOM-COOPER. 24 St Arm's Terrace, NW8.

#### Aitken's fall

From Mr Alan Blyth Sir. Your leading article, "Sound of

truth" (June 21), is apt and just. It is in marked contrast to the conduct of Tories who appeared in the media on Friday in an attempt to exonerate their former colleague, suggesting he was a tragic figure who had suffered enough

Why, just because he is a former minister, should he be treated in a different manner from a so-called ordinary citizen? It seems that even after their debilitating defeat, caused partly by sleaze, some Tories remain arrogant and unrepentant. This is not the way to regain public confidence.

Yours faithfully. ALAN BLYTH, 22 Shilling Street, Lavenham, Suffolk.

From Mr Laurence T. Roach

Sir. As a former head of the Discipline Office for the Metropolitan Police [ can tell you that had Jonathan Aitken been a serving police officer, however senior, rather than a minister of the Crown, he would have been suspended when the allegations against him were first lodged. That action would have been taken in the public interest and to protect the reputation of the

It is astonishing that so serious an allegation of misconduct made by a national newspaper received so little credence by politicians and the mandarins who support and advise them. Mr Aitken's denials seem simply to have been accepted. No police investigating officer would have been allowed to treat even a trivial complaint in so cavalier a fashion.

The roots of sleaze in our political life go much deeper than this case. Both the Prime Minister and Mr Hague could do much worse than look to the police for advice on how to deal with the investigation of corruption and misconduct in our public life.

Yours faithfully. L. T. ROACH, 43 Ripon Way, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire. June 22.

From Mr Colin Riegels

Sir, The public are usually not slow to castigate the press for untrue stories or unwarranted intrusions into the private lives of public figures. Perhaps today is a day to toast the fourth

The Guardian has now twice printed stories regarding questionable con-duct of Members of Parliament; twice it has been sued for libel, and twice it has stood its ground and been vindi-

cated. Perhaps there is much to be said for press self-regulation after all.

Yours sincerely COLIN RIEGELS. 13 Alan Bullock Close, Oxford. colin\_riegels@compuserve.com

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#### Press freedom and 'Self-interest' in the legal profession

Contrary to Mr Zuckerman's asser-

tion that "the legal profession objected

vehemently" to Lord Woolf's propo-

sals, the Law Society and the Bar

Council welcomed both his interim

and final recommendations. It is,

though, only a comforting illusion to

suppose that the vital issue of restor-

ing a proper balance between costs

and the amount at stake can be resol-

ved by pruning some unquantifiable

Litigation costs have increased be-

cause over the years the courts have

accepted and adopted new (and often

more expensive) techniques for ach-

ieving a more precise and fair dispo-

sal of disputes. Expert witnesses are

now deployed to assist, for example, in

the assessment of categories of damages which were simply not awarded

Lawyers, like doctors, have added

to costs by devising new techniques. But are litigants prepared to go back

to a cheaper but more rough and

ready (and therefore often unfair)

2 Crown Office Row, Temple, EC4.

Sir, In his tirade against the legal pro-

fession, Adrian Zuckerman wrongly

suggests that the dramatic fall in the

cost of buying and selling houses has

resulted from the abolition of the soli-

citors' monopoly over conveyancing.

In fact it has resulted purely and

simply from competition between

The process started with the aboli-

tion of scale fees by the Heath Govern-

ment and gathered pace with the in-

troduction of new technology and

working methods into solicitors' of-

fices. Austin Mitchell's legislation in

1983 made no significant difference.

Very few non-solicitor conveyancing

firms exist and those that do are nor-

mally staffed by former solicitors' clerks, who would have been doing

instead of being subjected to snide

comments from academics, solicitors

in England and Wales should rather

be congratulated on their ability to op-

erate a system of house buying and

selling which is dramatically cheaper

than in all other comparable coun-

35 High Street, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

adjudication of their disputes?

30 years ago.

Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL KENT,

firms of solicitors.

the work anyway.

From Mr H. W. M. Arber

hours unnecessarily incurred.

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From Mr Charles W. Plant

Sir, Adrian Zuckerman ('Keeping the Woolf from the door", June 16) is wide of the mark in suggesting that selfinterest motivates the legal profession into opposition to Lord Woolf's proposals for the reform of civil procedure. Many members of the profession enthusiastically support them.

Our adversarial culture encourages settlement. Ninety-five per cent of cases never get to trial. Litigation lawyers recognise that it is their primary function to resolve disputes, and I know of no evidence to support the proposition that the litigation process is deliberately protracted to generate

Practitioners, whether in the City of London or in the country, will see Lord Woolf's proposals as an opportunity to build practices rather than as a threat to them. When conditional fees are extended from personal injury to other substantial areas of work on fast-track cases, a party will be able to limit his costs liability to his own lawyers through conditional fees and to the other side through the Woolf proposals.

The significant improvement in ac-cess to justice which this will bring about will mean an expansion of work for lawyers. Commercial practitioners know full well that the removal of the excesses in the current system will make England a more attractive venue for international litigation.

It is essential to the maintenance of London's position as a major financial centre that it should offer an efficient and cost-effective dispute resolution service. The interests of litigation lawyers and their clients coincide in supporting Lord Woolf's proposals, and the legal profession will readily welcome and adapt to the changes required of it.

Yours faithfully, CHARLES W. PLANT (Litigation partner), Herbert Smith (solicitors). Exchange House, Primrose Street, EC2.

Clarke denial

to anybody.

that into effect.

leadership election.

Yours truly

June 23.

KENNETH CLARKE,

From Mr Tim Carbury

nor his sense of humour.

Twixt cup and lip?

Sir, It could be argued that in telling

reporters that he was Lord Lucan

(Diary, June 23) Lord Longford had

amply demonstrated that his 91 years

had diminished neither his memory

II Collier Close, Cove, Hampshire.

From Mr Kenneth Clarke, QC.

MP for Rushcliffe (Conservative)

Sir, Today's report by Andrew Pierce

appears to be based on a conversation

with someone who has described him-

self as a friend, who has attributed to

me remarks which I have never made

offer loyal support to the new Leader

of the Opposition and the Shadow

Cabinet, and I intend to strive to put

Following on a fictitious claim else-where that John Major objected to my

agreement with John Redwood and

began to campaign against me, gos-

sipy news stories in the media simply

appear to show that some Conserva-

tives are still far too agitated about the

misguided friends or zealot enemies,

they should not be given credibility. In

my opinion the Conservative Party

now needs to settle down to the seri-

ous task of providing an effective and

united opposition to the Labour

Whether the reports came from

I have already declared that I will

From Mr Michael Kent, QC

Sir, The sub-heading to Adrian Zuckerman's article, "Lawyers have a strong interest in delay - they are paid by the hour", is misconceived.

Successful litigation lawyers are too busy to devote unnecessary time to one case at the expense of others; those who are unsuccessful are criticised by the courts (and by Lord Woolf in Access to Justice) for letting cases "go to sleep" - that is, spending too few hours on them. Hence the need for

#### Birthday honours

From Mr Christopher Kingston

tries, including Scotland.

Bower & Bailey (solicitors).

Yours faithfully,

H. W. M. ARBER.

Sir, I note today (earlier editions) the results of the survey of "opinion leaders" about potential reform of the honours system. I wonder, with up to 18 per cent having no opinion on certain questions, are the right people being surveyed?

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER KINGSTON, 49 Sandymount Avenue, Dublin 4.

From Mr P. E. L. Fellowes

Sir. The fact that the wife of a peer or knight is styled Lady (report, June 14) owes much to the long-held, though of course mistaken, view that the wife was in some sense the chattel of the husband, and that what affected him must necessarily affect her in some similar manner.

Today's politically correct solution must surely be, not that the husband of a newly created peer or Dame should receive a title, but that the wife of a peer or knight should simply remain "Mrs". And who would be happy with that?

Yours faithfully, PEREGRINE FELLOWES, The Court. Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire.

From Mr John S. Faulder

Sir, It is odd that, in the final month before the severance in the most complete manner yet seen of six million people from what was the British Empire, one should learn of the appointment of over a thousand people to the Order of the British Empire.

Yours etc. JOHN FAULDER, Flat 1, 27 Marloes Road, W8. June 16.

#### **Everest differences**

From Mr George Lowe

Yours faithfully, T. C. CARBURY,

June 23.

Sir. Reputations, a BBC television programme screened on June 18, questioned who first reached the summit of Everest in 1953. It also put forward a thesis of lack of friendship and understanding between Tenzing Norgay and Edmund Hillary.

Why did the programme not interview Hillary? Sir Edmund was New Zealand High Commissioner to India in the Eighties, was close in friendship with Tenzing and said he was the only "Everester", Swiss or British, to attend Tenzing's funeral, at which he was deeply moved.

Tenzing was offered a knighthood by the British. The Indian Government stepped in and refused, saying Indian nationals could not accept foreign titles. Tenzing lived and worked in India and was always upset by claims upon him by India and Nepal.

His autobiography in 1955 settled the question of who stepped on the summit first, but climbers roped together are interdependent and conside they move together. Tenzing attended a number of reunions of the 1953 party over 30 years. I visited him in Darjeeling and met him in Tibet. The interviews of me in this prog-

ramme were given in 1993 in answer to questions which had nothing to do with "reputations"; this programme I consider a pastiche, seeming to show division where none existed.

Yours etc. GEORGE LOWE (Member 1953 Everest expedition). Lowecroft, Plains Lane Blackbrook, Belper, Derbyshire.

#### Giants of musical theatre in accord

From Sir Cameron Mackintosh

Sir, Your front page puff, "Mackintosh claws Webber", gave what I regard as a misleading impression of my interview with Richard Morrison on the current state of the musical theatre (My shows are fine, Andrew", Arts, June 20).

Far from attacking Andrew Lloyd Webber personally my comments on the running of his company, which were correctly reported by Richard Morrison, were strictly about the management of the Really Useful Group (RUG) in the past - particularly in relation to Cats and Phantom of the Opera, the two shows Andrew and I created together long before anyone of his recent management was employed at the RUG.

Obviously Andrew has his own con-cerns, which is why I am delighted that he has once again been given control of his company and is actively making it as personal and creative a unit as it was when he started it.

Having had to make changes to one of my own productions recently, Martin Guerre. I appreciate the difficult and courageous decisions he had to make in deciding to do more work on Whistle Down the Wind, particularly as it was selling out in Washington

during its pre-Broadway try-out.

I have no doubt that Andrew's tenacity and talents will bring Whistle to a triumphant conclusion when it opens in London next year and I very much hope he'll let me invest in it! Whether he does or not, he continues to have both my friendship and support. There simply wouldn't be a modern musical theatre without him and he will be at the forefront of its future for decades to come.

Yours etc. CAMERON MACKINTOSH. Bedford Square, WC1.

#### Transatlantic flight

From Mr Christopher Joubert

Sir, On June 14/15, 1919, Alcock and Brown were the first to fly the Atlantic non-stop. The anniversary was not recorded in your anniversaries section on Saturday.

Today's paper includes a supplement, Lindbergh's legacy', with headings on the first and second pages referring to 70 years of transatlantic flight and Seventy years ago, the first solo transatlantic flight changed the course of history".

Thus is history rewritten. Yours faithfully. CHRISTOPHER JOUBERT 48 Haydon Park Road, Wimbledon, SW19. 100556.1206@compuserve.com

From Mr Allan D. Mitchell

Sir. I should like to reassure your readers on one point in your interesting supplement "Lindbergh's legacy". The absence of radar covering the Atlantic most certainly does not mean that "there is no such thing as air traffic control".

All commercial transatlantic flights are subject to air traffic control clearance to ensure adequate separation from one another.

Yours faithfully. ALLAN D. MÍTCHELL (Air traffic controller, Prestwick Oceanic Control Centre). 26 Abbots Way, Ayr.

#### Final frontier

From Dr Howard Sergeant

Sir. Why all this song and dance about Britain maintaining her border controls within the EU (report, June 18)? What most of us want is to be able to travel round Europe without let, hindrance or passport.

Yours faithfully, HOWARD SERGEANT, 20 Well Walk, NW3.

#### Self-assessment

From the Reverend C. J. E. Lefroy Sir. I have just received a polite letter

from the tax examiner informing me that he found no mistakes in my script. This was preceded by a cheque for my overpayment, all within II weeks of the end of the tax year.

I feel again as I once did on being awarded a scholarship.

Yours faithfully, C. J. E. LEFRÒY, 12 Rodmill Drive, Eastbourne, East Sussex. June 16.

#### Knockout box

From Mr I. M. Adams-Cairns

Sir. Would not programmes about sleeping disorders be more appropriately scheduled in the small hours? At 9pm last night my wife, who suf-

fers no such problems, sat down to watch Insomnia (Channel 4). Five minutes later, she was sound

Yours faithfully. I. M. ADAMS-CAIRNS, Gorse Cottage, Oxted Green. Milford, Godalming, Surrey.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

Morrison, the Rt Hon Sir Robert

Fellowes, Major General Gaston

Cloutier, Mrs Mary Francis, Miss

Penelope Russell-Smith, Surgeon

Captain David Swain RN, Air

Commodore the Hon Timothy

Elworthy, Lieutenant Commander

Jean Yves Bastien and Sir Brian

By command of The Queen, Vice

Admiral Sir James Weatherall (Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps)

Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps, called upon His Excellency Mr. Tade Alfoldy at 35 Eaton Place, London SWI, this morning in order to bid farewell to His

Excellency upon relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador from

he Republic of Hungary to the

June 23: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, Army Air Corps,

this morning received Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Walch upon

relinquishing his appointment as Commanding Officer 9 Regiment

and Lieutenant Colonel Timothy

His Royal Highness, President,

Business in the Community and The Prince's Trust, this afternoon gave a Reception for staff and

June 23: The Duchess of Glouces-ter. Patron. National Asthma

Campaign, was represented by Miss Suzanne Marland at the Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Mr Hugh Faulkner tformer Director, the Ashma Research

Council) which was held in St Martin-in-the-Fields Church. London WC2 this afternoon.

June 23: The Duke of Kent

President, the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, this

ntermos and croque the new number to court on the opening day of the Wimbledon Championships. London SWI9.

chester, at 1.45, and will visit the

YORK HOUSE

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KENSINGTON PALACE

Court of St James's.

ST JAMES'S PALACE

McGrath.

HOTEL NEWFC'UNDLAND. ST JOHN'S

June 23: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh left Heathrow Airport, London, today to via.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received at the Airport by the Earl of Airlie KT (Lord Chamberlain), Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenam of Greater London (Field Marshal the Lord Bramall KG), Mr Jacques Bilodeau (Deputy High Commis-sioner of Canada), Captain David Jacobson (Canadian Naval Adviser) and Mr Michael Roberts (Managing Director, Heathrow

Airport). This afternoon The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at St John's Airport. Newfoundland. and were received by the Gov-ernor-General (the Rt Hon Romèo

LeBlanci.
Her Majesty and His Royal
Highness drove to Confederation Building, where they were received by the Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland (the Hon Arthur House), the Prime Minister (the Rt Hon Jean Chretten) and the Premier of Newfoundland and Labrador (the Hon Brian Tobin) and attended a reception with Members of the Federal and Provincial

legislatures,
The Prime Minister was later received in audience by The Queen

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness this evening attended the opening of the choral festival "Sharing the Voice" at the Arts and Culture Centre. St John's, and were received by the Chairman of

the Festival (Dr Angus Bruneau).
The Duke of Edinburgh this ultermoon opened the restore! Admiralty House, Mount Pearl, and met members of the local community.

The following are in attendance:
The Lady Farnham, the Hon Mary

Royal engagements The Princess Royal will attend a meeting of the Green College Advisory Council. Green College, at the Radcliffe Observatory. Woodstock Road, Oxford, at 4.30.

The Duke of Kent, president, will open the Stroke Association's Therapy Research Unit at the Hope Hospital, "alford, at 11.15; will visit Elcometer Instruments. Edge Lane, Droylsden, ManEmmaus in Greater Manchester Project for the Homeless, Linglands Mill. Queen Street, Mossley. Tameside, at 3.00. Later, as Royal Fellow, the Royal Academy of Engineering, he will attend a dinner and presentation of the MacRobert awards, at Drapers' Hall, at 7.40. The Duchess of Kent will attend

the Wimbledon Championships at

# **Monmouth School**

Speech Day will be held at Monmouth School on Saturday. June 28, 1997, when the Principal Sneaker will be Lord Walker of Worcester, MBE, PC. Prior to Prizegiving the Commemoration Service will be held in St Marv's Parish Church, Monmouth. The School has made the following awards for September 1997:

Sixth Form Awards Scholarships Schokarships
Jason Cheung, Tower House,
Barmouth: Richard Christins, St
John's School, Portheawl: Matthew
Hopkins, Llandovery College: Colin
Musist, Hillcrest Secondary School,
Nalmbl.

Mountjoy Award
David Acreman, Marling School,
Stroud Stroug, **Wedfson Award** Nicholas Marshall, Hereford's Bluecost Sch Blahop of

Hereford's annual Form III Awards
Form III Awards
Form The Cathedra

School, Llandaff: Matthew Phelps, St John's anthe Hill, Chepstow: Thomas Snozell, St John's on-the Hill, Chepstow: Thomas Wade-West, St John's on-the-Hill, Chepstow. Music Scholarships
Joseph Adams. The Cathedral,
School. Llandaff; Lawrence
Peckham. The Cathedral School.
Llandaff.

Christopher Arnold, Greenmeadow Primary, Cwmbran: Richard Harris, Caerleon Endowed School: Jonah Jay, The Grange, Monmouth School: Andrew Jefferson, The Deli Frimary. Chepstow: Lloyd Lewis, Llandiltud Fawt Primary. Llandwit Major. Amardeep Saran, Overmonnow Primary, Monmouth: Jack Thome. Whitchurch Primary, Ross-on-Wee Stephen Timbrell, The Grange. Monmouth School. inew Jeifen

Hawthe Eathbildon
James Hambly Smith. The Grange.
Monmouth School: Alex Parmenter.
The Grange. Monmouth School:
Jack Thorne, Whitchurch Primary.
Rosson-Wye.



Children from Southwark in South London take their bows at the Globe Theatre yesterday to bring down the curtain on the theatre's opening festival with a special performance of Shakespeare's Julius Caesar. Seventeen schools took part in the show which included African tribal drumming, brass percussion and choral performances

#### Brian Wenham

A service of celebration for the life of Brian Wenham will be held at St James's, Piccadilly, on Monday, July 2I, at noon, Tickets are required and may be obtained from Sir Roger Cary, BBC, Room 613. Henry Wood House, Langham Place, London Wi.

#### Erik de Mauny

A memorial service for the life and work of Erik de Mauny (1930-97) will be held at St Bride's, Fleet Street, at 3.00pm on Tuesday, July

#### University news University of Bristol

Sir Michael Angus, Leader of the University of Bristol Campaign for Resource, was the host at a special luncheon held yesterday at the University to honour its benefactor, Mrs Joyce Cooper, MA, who, through the charity set up with her late husband has in recent years made many generous dona-tions to the University. Earlier, Mrs Cooper presented a cheque for £1 million to Sir Michael. Needham Cooper trustees, the Vice Chancelor Sir John Kingman FRS, Mr Michael Gorman and senior members of the University

were present. The donation will fund postgraduate scholarships in the Faculties of Medicine and Engineering and brings the total donations from the Needham Cooper Charitable Trust to the University of Bristol to some £1.75 million over the past eight years.

#### Appointments

Mr Alan Paul has been appointed British Senior Representative to the Sino-British Joint Liaisum Group from early autumn in succession to Mr Hugh Davies. who will be transferring to a new Diplomatic Service appointment. Professor Peter Mathias, FBA, to be Chairman of the Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation in succession to Lord Butterfield.

#### Today's birthdays

Sir Anthony Barrowclough, QC, former Ombudsman, 73; Mr Jeff Beck, guitarist, 53; Mr Quentin Bell, public relations consultant, 53; Viscount Bledisloe, QC, 63; Lord Braine of Wheatley, 33; Mr lan Christie, clarinettist and film critic, 70; Mr Garfield Davies, trade unionist, 62: Mrs Anita Desai, novelist, 60: Mr Roger Dobson, director-general, Institu-tion of Civil Engineers, 61: Professor K.J. Durrands, former Vice-Chancellor and Rector, Huddersfield University. b8: Mr Mick Fleetwood, drummer, 55; Sir lan

Gainsford, Dean, King's College

Medical and Dental School, 67: Professor Sir Fred Hoyle, FRS, astronomer, 82: Miss Betty Jackson, fashion designer, 48; Sir Edward Jackson, diplomat, 72; Mr Stephen Jefferies, ballet dancer, 46: Mr John McCormick, Controller. BBC Scotland, 44; Mrs Emma McKendrick, Headmistress, The Royal School, Bath, 34; Profe John Postgate, microbiologist, 75: Mr Cesare Romiti, chairman, Flat Group, 74: Mr Peter Ross, director. Office for the Supervision of Solicitors, 42: Miss Mary Wesley, writer, 85: Sir John Whitford. former High Court judge, 84.

#### Latest wills

James Gerald Gulliver, Chairman of James Gulilver Associates, Director of Associated British Foods, Chairman of Arayll Group (formerly James Gulliver Asso-ciates) 1977-88, Vice President of Manchester United Football Club, of London SW3, left estate valued at £6,984,923 net.

Colonel Sir William Crawshay. Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Gwent since 1979, of Lianfair, Kilgeddin. Abergavenny. Monmouthshire, left estate valued at £747.813 net. He left £1,000 each to the Church of water for Lianfair Riligeddin group of parishes and to the Regimental Museum of the Royal Weich Fusiliers along with all his medals and deconstitutions £250 to the Society for the Weifare of Horses and Ponles, and

#### Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, favourite of Elizabeth I. 1532: Sir John Ross. Arctic expiorer, Bulsarroch, Dumíries, 177; Henry Ward Beecher, preacher, Litchfield, Connecticut, 1813; William Henry Smith, statesman and hookseller, London, 1825; Horado Kitchener, 1st Earl Kitchener, Field Marshal, Kerry Ballylongford, Co Kerry, 1850; Jack Dempsey, world heavyweight boving champion 1919-26, Manassa, Colorado, 1895. DEATHS: John Hampden, parliamentary leader. Thame, Oxfordships 1643; William Smyth. poet, Norwich, 1849; Adam Lindto the Brooke Hospital for Astimals. Sir lan Talbot Muaro of Foulis-Obsdale, Bt. of Byfleet, Surrey, left estate valued at £25,000 net. Sir John Edmund Cradock-

Hartopp, Bt. Director Firth Brown Tools 1961-71, of Wimbledon. London SW20, left estate valued at £2.155.110 net. lan Ralph William Russell, of Salishury, Wiltshire, left estate valued at £1,229,795 net.

Alice Standring, of Wilmslow, Cheshire, left estate valued at EJ.433,028 net.

Nathan Martin Linton, company director, of London NW4. left estate valued at E638.432 net.

bourne, 1870; Marie François Car-not. President of France 1887-94,

assassinated, Lyons, 1894; Grover Cleveland, 22nd American Presi-

dent 1885-89 and 24th 1893-97,

Princeton, New Jersey, 1908; Stu-

art Davis, painter, New York.

Robert Bruce defeated the English

Freemasons was formed, 1717.

#### **Dinners** say Gordon, poet, Brighton, Mei-

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Andressan Park.

Inter-Parliamentary Union Mr David Marshall, Chairman of the Bridsh group of the Inter Parliamentary Union, was the host at a dinner held yesterday at Shepherd's Restaurant in honour of a Parlimentary Delegation from Kazakhstan led by Mr Omirbek To Mr Gavin Purser

Church of Scotland

The Rev Robert Sloan, to Si

Andrew's, Blairgowrie, the Rev Mary D Dilbey, to West Kirk of Calder, the Rev Moira McDonald, to St Clemen's and St Ninian's.

Musselburgh: the Rev Keith T Blackwood, to Bearsden North; the

Rev David Hood, to Townhead.

Coathridge; the Rev Bruce Demn-

The Rev John V Gardner, by

The Rev Duncan J Macoherson, 16

Netherlee, Glasgow.

Old. Annan; the Rev Ian R Boyd, to

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The Rev Elizabeth M Henderson.

from Granton, Edinburgh, to

Richmond Craigmillar, Edin-burgh; the Rev Charles J Finnle.

from Caldercruix, Longriggend and Meadowlield to Burniout,

The Very Rev James A Simpson

DD, from Dornoch Cathedral to become Interim Minister

The Rev William Still, from

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sey, to Couper Angus Abbey.

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under King Edward II at Bannock-Mr Gavin Purser was honoured last night by the partners of The Grand Lodge of English Lawrence Graham at a dinner Pablo Plcasso's work was exhibheld at The Savoy Hotel in appreciation of his thirty-eight ited for the first time in Paris, 1901. Russia stopped land traffic beyears of service to the firm, the last ten as Senior Parmer. Mrs Purser tween Berlin and the West and the

#### The Duchess of Gloucester was

Memorial

services

#### Mr Hugh Faulkner

represented by Miss Suzanne Marland at a service of thanks-giving for the life and work of Mr Hugh Faulkner, former director of Help the Aged, the Asthma-Research Council, National Asthma Campaign, and Honorary-Director of the Persistent Virus Disease Research Foundation, held yesterday at St Martin-in-the-Fields. Canon David Winter officiated. The Very Rev Michael Yorke, Provost of Portsmouth, read the lesson and Professor James Mowbray, a Trustee of the Persistent Virus Disease Research Foundation, read from the works of Dag Hammarskjöld. Dr Don-ald Lane. Vice-President of the National Asthma Campaign. gave an address. Among others present

were:

Mrs - Raulkner (widow), Mr and
Mrs - Anthony Faulkner (son and
daughter-in-law), Dr and Mrs Ian
Janes (son-in-law) and daughter,
Katherine Faulkner and Edward
Faulkner (grandchildren) and
other members of the family.

Representatives of Help the
Aged, Research into Ageing, the
Lester Trust, the National Task
Force on CFSI ME, Actionald, the
Council for Music in Hospitals,
the British Lung Foundation, the
Society of Friends, Westcare, the
World in Need, Sign, the Elderty
Accommodation Counsel and
collecture.

#### Mr Christopher Sharp

A service of thanksgiving for the A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Christopher Sharp, former Managing Director of Northern Rock, was held yesterday at the Church of All Saints, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne. The Rev Richard Hill officiated, assisted by Canon Tony Meakin, who led the prayers and read the second lesson. Mr Robert Dickinger Christopan of Northern Rock son, Chairman of Northern Rock, read the first lesson and Mr Alan Kilburn, Chief Executive of the Presbytery of Lorn and Mull: the Rev James Zambonini, as Auxil-iary to Shotts Calderhead Erakine Home Housing Association, gave an address.

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

#### Mr R.N. Brosch

and Miss E.F. Lcc The engagement is announced between Roger Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs J.R. Brosch, of Whittington Hurst, near Lichfield, and Emma Frances, third daughter of Mr and Mrs A.J.N. Lee. of Wimbledon.

Mr P.E. Cotton

and Miss J.A. Edwards The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs Robin Cotton of Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, and Juliet, daughter of Mr Barry Edwards...of Over Alderley, Cheshire, and Mrs. Oliver Beck, of Tabley, Cheshire.

Mr R. Freeman and Miss P.J. Smith

The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs Jack Freeman, of West Chester County, New York, and Philippa Jane, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Antony Smith, of the British Embassy, Lisbon. Mr S.C.W. Kenny

and Miss A.A. Cable The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of Mrs. Gillian Kenny and the late Mr Gillian Kenny and the late Mr Charles Kenny, of Chiddingfold, Surrey, and Aida, daughter of Dr Vincem Cable, MP, and Dr Olympia Cable, of Twickenham, Middleson

Mr M. Pather and Miss R.J. Bedford

The engagement is announced-between Marlon, son of Mr and Mrs Patrick Pather, of Toronto, Canada, and Rebecca June, daughter of Mr and Mrs Stuart Bedford, of Wentworth, Surrey.

#### Marriage

Mr W.N. Peto Mr W.N. Peto and Mrs R.M. Crichton The marriage took place quietly in Exeter between William Neill, widower of Ann Bernal Peto, net Laville, and Rowan Margaret, net Cunningham, widow of Lieuten-ant Commander David Dewar Crichton, RN.

#### Church news

The Rev Richard Leslie, Stewardship Resources Adviser for Hertfordshire to be Team Vicar. Borehamwood: District of St Michael and All Angels (St Albanel

The Rev Patrick McGlinchey, Curate, Christ the King, Kettering (Peterborough), to be Senior Cu-rate, Gorleston St Andrew (Norwich).

The Rev Alan Marley, Chapinin, Aylesbury Young Offenders in-stitution (Oxford): to be Rector. Fermoy union of parishes (Cork, Cloyne and Ross, Republic of trefand). The Rev Nicholas Martin, Rector.

Blakeney, Cley, Glandford, Lether-ingset with Bayfield and Wiveton (Norwich): to be Rector, Totnes Team Ministry (Exeter).

The Rev Alison Newell: to be Assistant Adviser in Social Responsibility (pert-time) (Ports-

The Rev John Musson, Curate, Christ Church, North Finchley. (London): to be Vicar, Lynchmere and Camelsdale (Chichester). The Rev Graham Oliver, formerly Curate, Christ the Saviour, Ealing (London): now Assistant Chaplain of St George's, Ypres, Belgium

The Rev John Page, Vicar, Lord's Hill. Southampton: to be Priest-incharge, St Barnabas, Darby Green (Winchester). The Rev David Prout, Priest-in-

(York): to be Vicar, Eastbourne St Elisabeth (Chichester). The Rev Keith Richards, Team Rector, Crawley Team Ministry: to be Vicar, Arundel (Chichester). The Rev Marcus Ronchetti, Vicar Findon Valley All Saints: to be Vicar, Shoreham Beach (Chichester).

The Rev Shane Scott-Hamblen: to be Assistant Curate. Staines, St Mary and St Peter (London). The Rev Kevin Scully, Assistant Curate, St Mary, Stoke New-ington: to be Director of Ordinance and Vocations Adviser in the Stepney Episcopal Area, and Assistant Priest, St Dunstan's, Tower Hamlets (London). Capon Tum Sharp, Vicar, All

Saints, Cawthorne, and Diocesan Rural Officer (Wakefield): to be appointed a Conon Emeritus of Wakefield Cathedral on his retirement on June 30. The Rev. Maurice Slattery, Assis-

tant Curate (NSM). St James. Malden (Southwark): to be Assistent Curate (NSM). Whitwell w St Lawrence and Niton, Isle of Wight (Portsmouth).

#### Meeting

Atlantic Council Sir Patrick Duffy, Deputy Chairman of the Atlantic Council of the United Kingdom, was the speaker at an Atlantic Forum briefing held last night at Brassey House, John Street, London WCI. Mr Alan Lee charge. Aislaby and Ruswarp - Williams, director, presided.

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BAKER - On June 9th, to ingrid and Andrew, a daughter jessica Sophie Blatchroeder BECKETT - On june 17th, to Susanna and Dasiel, a daughter. Bergode - On 19th June, to Philippa (née Hayes) and Vincent, a son, Senjamin George Edward.

DEE - Amy and Simon proudly aunounce the birth of the beautiful Harry Simon on Wodnesday 18th June. HAYES - On 25th May 1997 at Epsom General Hospital, to Alison (née l'oscalale) and Sean, a daughter, Sophie Louise, a beautiful sister to

MEMEAGE - On June 22nd at Odstock Bospital, to James and Charlotte, a daughter, Georgia Madeline, a sister for Eliza and Kan. HOLBOROW - To Louise (né POWERLY and Crispin, a son, George, on 21st june. George, on 21st june. GROWNTZ - On june 18th, to Christine (née Gunn) and Stephen, a daughter, Alexandra Leonora

Alexandra IAMSFIELD - On June 7th at Bayview Hospital, Barbados to Jemms (nee Sadler) and James, a beautiful daughter, Tallulah Bella, a sister for Lattrea Breeze

MUSTARD - On 21st June 1997, to Charlotte (née Brock) and Steven, a procicy and Steven, a procious son, Benjamin William John, 6ibs 2os. NORTH - On June 17th, to Mary (não Crichton Multurad) and Roy, a son, Benjamin Edward Mark, a brother for Freddie. RICHARDS - On June 15th, to Miranda (nee Cullen) and Nick, a daughter, Amelia Harriet Winsome, a sister for

-WINDOWSON - On 16th ROBERSON - On June 15th, to Kate (née Macnab) and Peter, a sun, Harry Dewin, a brother for Samuel and Kimberley.

#### DEATHS

BARME-On June 23rd, 1997 at home, Cara, mother of Christopher and grandmother of Charles. Funeral Service in the Charch of St John the Barrist. Bere Revis. Dorset Baptist, Bere Rogis, Dorset on Wednesday 2nd July at 2.30 pm.

DEATHS

BODY - Angain (née Butier) died peacefuily on June 21st. Remembered with admination and love by John, her two daughters, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Funeral enquiries to T.W. Fuggle (Son, 16k (01580) 763340.

BUNT - Karen Ann (née Hilsum), Engineer, en 20th June 1997 aged 42, in London, following a long and bravely fought illness. Beleved wife of David and mother of Alexander and much loved daughter of Cyril. Her courage and determination during the past two years has been an inspiration to all who knew and loved her. Karen's fuseral will be held at 3 pm on Friday 27th June at 5t Marylebone Crematorium, East Finchley, London N2. Flowers, or donations to "Action for Dysphasic Adults". clo Cooksey & Son, 190 Fortis Green Road, London N10 3DU.

COWAN - David (Charles David Symington). Roungest son of the late Alexander Cowan of Penicalk and the late Florence Cowan. Dearly loved husband of Margaret (nee Burn Murdoch) and father of Charles, Michael, Jonathan and Peter, Pencefully on Sonday 22nd Jame in Edinburgh. Private cremation followed by a Service of Thankspiring for me life to which all thends are invited on Friday 27th June at St. Cuthbert's Episcopal Church, Coliston, Edinburgh at 11.30 am (Family flowers only).

NUMBER - Denal John on 21st June loved by all whose lives he touched, Funeral enquiries 01243 860408.

GALLON - On June 19th 1997 at Frimley Park Hospital, Wilfred Ellis, of Farnham, Surrey, in his 91st year. A loving husband, father and grandfather, Funeral Service at Farsham Methodist Church on Thursday June 26th at 1 pm followed by private cremation. Enquiries, Thorne-Leggett Funeral Directors, tel: (01420) 488876.

77 passed away peacefully on 20th june at Florence Nightingale House, Aylesbury, after a long illness. Wife of the late Frank Jeremy (Jerry) Hedges, Mother of Sally and Julie, grandmother to Emma and Madeline, Sally missed. Funeral arrangements - E.Y. Green (01296) 82041.

KOHMSTAR - George suddenly on June 21st in Durham. Loved and loving husband, father and grandfather. Friends please meet for service at \$t Oswalda Church, Durham City, on Wednesday 25th June at 1.15 pm cremation to follow. Family flowers only please.

MERRY - Douglas Cooper on 22nd june peacefully aged 87 years at The Boyal Berkshire Hospital to rejoin his beloved wife Unaliable Hospital Berkshire Hospital to rejoin and Lieutenant Colonel Royal Engineers and longtime Engineers and longtime Rifle Club. Dearly loved Rather of Jeanne and Susan and crondinaber of Andrew and Sar Fanne 1 Andrew and Sar Fanne 1 Andrew and Sar Fanne 1 Andrew and Sar Fannes 1 Andrew and Sar Fannes 1 Andrew and Sar Fannes 1 Andrew 
CBE, on June 20th in hospital after a abort illness, aged 83 years. Beloved husband of Eachel, dearly loved father of Martin and Fiona, and grandfather of Alax and William Funeral Service at the Church of St Dunstan, Monks Risborough, Backs, on Friday June 27th at 12 noon, Flowers, it risked to Creat Missenden, Funeral Services, 106 High Street, Great Missenden, Bucks. HP16 OBE or, if professed, domations to Sight Savers International clo WILLARD - Bichard Edward

OWERS - Beigh Stephen suddenly on Friday 20th June in Sunsingdale, beighin Hussand and he friend of Pye. Beloved their of Jenny and Gilly. Feneral at Holy Trinity Church, Sunningdale, on Fiday 27th June at 11.15 am Family Howers only. Donations if desired to Scotts Project, Grenadier Riding Lane, Hildesbore at Tumbridge Wells, Eart 1811 90G.

PHALO - On june 21st in St Thomas's Hespital, London, Arthur Phalo 55/E Priest, in the 72nd year of his age. Funeral Requiem at St Edward's House, 22 Great College Street, London SWIP 3QA on Moadsy June 30th at 11.30 am followed by cremption at Mortlake Consequencies.

PITTENGER - The Revd. Dr.
Norman Pittenger at King's
Lyan on 19th june aged 91.
Funeral Service at 8t
Hargaret's Church, King's
Lyan, on Monday 30th june
at 1 pm. Details from \$t
Margaret's Vicarage, King's
Lyan, (01553) 767090 or
Thomalley Funeral Services,
(01553) 771399. Memorial
Service in Cambridge at a

POOL - On June 20th 1997 peacefully at home Franklyn aged 91 years. Beloved husband of Peggy, Loving father of Feter (deceased), joanna, William, Eve, Andrew and Fib. Feneral Friday June 27th. Service at Newton Forms Farias Chart at 12 moon. Family Dowers only please. Donations in Heu to the Marsellam Marses Fund may be sont to Walter Parson, 2 Markel Road, Plympton, Plymouth PL7 1QW. Teh (01752) 343848.

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RAWLES - Arthur jamos on 19th June poacefully at home after a long illness. Funesal at New Southgate Crematorium, Nil, on Friday 27th June at 3.30 pm. Flowers to jH. Kenyon, 6 Woodhouse Road, Nil, or transitions if unsferred to the donations if preferred to the

2011MER - Stephen on 19th June 1997 aged 51, unexpectedly at home. Devoted son of Nina, husband of Alison, dear father of Amelia, Funeral 10am Friday 27th June at Hampstead Cometery, Fortune Green "ad, NW6, Family flower: July but donations if desared to The British Weart Frankstion.

W0000 - Derek Exwlins - on 21st june 1997, peacefully at home in Lotherschile, aged 76. Beloved husband and dearest friend of Mary, much loved tather of David, Clare, Pippa and Peter, devoted grandfather and father-in-law. Funeral Service and interment will be held at Christ Church, Lothersdale on Friday 27th June at 11.30am. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to The Motor Neurone Disease Association of Kislizi Hospital s/o Howerofts' Funeral Services, Duckett Street, Shipton, 8D23 25].

RABY - Margaret (note Angus), widow of Kenaeth and mother of Pauline, Nigel, lamet and Angus, Peacefully in Taunton on 21st juns. Funeral at Churchstanton Church on Wednesday 25th june at 2.30 pm. Memodial Service to be arranged in Sark. Enquiries to (01823) 601386.

MALIGH. Repert Roger on Monday Juna 9th 1997, to a tragic car accident in Superoria. Buch inved son of Jo und Richard of Arundel, hother of Penny, Ian and Liz, partner of Surah, and friend of very many others. May be rest in peace.

May be rest in peace.

WILLIAMS - On 20th Jane 1997 peacefully Ewart. Loved husband of Tim. Funeral Service will take place at Guildford Crematorium on Tuesday 1st July at 2 30 pm. Family Bowers only. Donations if desired to Mount Alverta Hospital, Guildford. Enquiries Cranleigh Funerals, tcl: (01483) 275758.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

de MAUNY - A Momorial Service for the Life and Work of Erik de Mauny (1920-97) will be bold at St mony Church, Flort Street, London EC4, at 3 pm on 29th July. WATSON - Ellen Paterson (Relio). A sessedal service will be held on Friday 4th July at 2:30 pm at Allhallows by the Tower, Byward Street, London, ECJ, followed by a sessestion in the party with the

THANKSGIVING SERVICES

MIL-WOOD - Mary Cocilia A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Mary HHI-Wood will be held at 5 Michael's Church Heckfield, Hampshire at 12 noon on Monday 30th June. Heckfield is off the ASS, Reading to Easingstoke lices.

WERHAM - A Service of Celebration of the Life of Brian Wenhum (1937-97) will be held at S. Iamer's Church, Piccadilly, London WI, on Monday, July 21st, at 12 noon. Tickets will be accorded and may be obtained from: Boger Cary, BCC Room 613, Henry Wood House, Langham Place, London WI.

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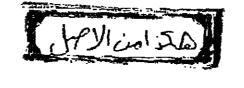
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Church news

Paul Reade, composer, died from cancer on June 7 aged 54. He was born on January IO, 1943.

aul Reade was a versatile composer whose television theme tunes and incidental music brought pleasure to millions who may never have known his name. His credits covered a whole range of popular programmes, ranging from the children's favourite Play School to literary adaptations such as Jane

His television work showed both technical mastery and a flair for conveying character, atmosphere and drama, qualities which were equally evident in his choral works, stage works for children, and highly effective writing for the

His more abstract orchestral and instrumental music, accessible yet challenging, revealed a fluent, confident and still evolving talent. His premature death has robbed the musical world of a composer who was without doubt reaching the zenith of his creative life and had

much more to give.
Paul Geoffrey Reade was born in Liverpool. His mother was a wellknown breeder of English setters, but it was his father's plano playing at home which provided the earliest inspiration and set him on a career which was to flourish in many branches of the musical profession.

From 1962 to 1965 he studied piano with Alan Richardson at the Royal Academy of Music, and subsequently went to the London Opera Centre. After touring Britain as the pianist for Opera for All, he joined the English National Opera as a repétiteur when it moved from Sadler's Wells to the Coliseum.

With a young family to support, he welcomed the security offered by the job of pianist on the BBC Television children's programme *Play School* in the late 1960s, and it was this position that sowed the seeds for much of the rest of his career, giving him a special feel for music composed for young people. He wrote more than eighty songs for Play School, as well as its popular title music, Other music for children and

young people included works for narrator and orchestra such as The Midas Touch and Cinderella, per-formed at the Royal Exchange, Manchester, and subsequently broadcast by the BBC Concert Orchestra with Michael Hordern and Nigel Hawthorne as narrators.

Reade's children's opera David

and Goliath was first performed in 1975; revived by Stephen Lawless, it was one of the highlights of the 1985 Buxton Festival. His songs and music for cartoon series on chil-dren's television — Crystal Tipps and Alistair, Ludwig and The

Flumps, and more recently Alpha-bet Castle and Mortimer and Arabel - have been enjoyed by children all over the world. Reade's work for television also included writing the theme tunes to programmes such as The Antiques Roadshow and music for the BBC's

Victorian Kitchen Garden series. for which he won the 1990 Ivor Novello Award for Best Television Theme. In the field of television drama, such classic serials as Great Expectations, A Tale of Two Cities and Jane Eyre showed Reade's happy knack of finding just the right music to embody the spirit of a programme; all became enormously popular.

Reade's gifts were nowhere more

evident than in his work for the ballet. Hobson's Choice, his first ballet score for David Bintley and the Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet, is a triumphant example of what can be achieved with the perfect collaboration between a master choreographer and an exceptional musician. An instant success with the public,

it remains a treasure in the reper-toire of what has become the Birmingham Royal Ballet.

PAUL READE

This was followed by Byron for Ballet West Utah, recorded for BBC Radio 3, and last year Far from the Madding Crowd - another collaboration with David Bintley and Birmingham Royal Ballet.

Throughout his career Reade also found time and inspiration to work on chamber, orchestral and choral works. His style, influenced partly by the English pastoral tradition, but just as strongly by the turn of the century French Impressionists, is exemplified by works such as the Saxophone Quartet; the solo oboe suite Aspects of a Landscape, written as a response to Blythburgh Church and the Suffolk coastline; and the oboe trio Luckbarrow Dances. This last was inspired by the ancient burial mounds on Exmoor where he retreated from London to work in his isolated country cottage with a barn converted into a composer's

studio. invitation to Moura Αn Lympany's Rasiguere Festival with the Manchester Camerata in the early 1980s led to a long association with the Southern Pyrences, and compositions such as the song cycles for the late Elizabeth

Harwood, including the Chants du Roussillon. The Camerata also commissioned Reade's Flute Concerto, a work of great beauty and deep personal commitment.

Reade's works are tonal, melodic, accessible, yet emotionally telling and frequently challenging. Within a musical language that was so immediately approachable he could always find new sounds, colours and melodies to delight the listener, and whatever he wrote always had the unmistakable Reade hallmarks of economy, directness, freshness and originality.

There were many works still in progress, left unfinished, which show his lively, wide-ranging musical interests: a harmonica concerto for Larry Adler and a bassoon concerto for Laurence Perkins whose first movement he managed to play through himself the day before he died.

In addition, discussions were taking place for further collaborations with David Bintley for more full-length ballet scores.

Paul Reade married, first, Mary Clark in 1965; they were divorced in 1985.

He is survived by his second wife, the flautist Philippa Davies, and by the son and daughter of his first marriage.



#### JOE EDWARDS

Joe Edwards, CBE, Managing Director of the British Motor Corporation, 1966-68, died at Poole. Dorset, on June 12 aged 88. He was born on July 5, 1908.

JOE EDWARDS was one of longest serving leaders of the British car industry in the turbulent middle years of the century. He brought a cheerful, "press-on" approach to production efficiency, and tried to develop good industrial relations, but could not save the motor industry from itself,

Born and educated in Great Yarmouth, Joseph Robert Edwards joined the Austin Motor Company at Longbridge, Birmingham, at the age of 19 in 1928. After a brief diversion to Hercules Cycles in 1939, he rejoined Austin in 1941, moving steadily up the ladder to become general works manag-er in 1951.

During the war, in addition to his work at Longbridge on Austin's varied military equipment. Edwards was closely involved in setting up produc-tion by Austin Motors of 300 Hurricane fighters, of which 200 were shipped to Russia.

By 1954, he was works director, and in the following year he was appointed director of manufacturing for the British Motor Corporation (BMC), formed from the Morris and Austin companies. An outstanding production engineer, he had by 1966 been made managing director of a company that owned the



also produced a batch of

Hawker Hunter jet fighter

assemblies for the Hawker-

Siddeley Group.
Working with Mike Bell-house, Edwards acquired the

wartime grass aerodrome at

Kidlington, where they collab-

orated in forming a flying school. Under the Pressed

Steel banner they formed Bea-

gle Aircraft, establishing.

along with Peter Masefield, a

British light aircraft manufac-

From Beagle came the light

twin-engine B206, in which

the Prince of Wales gained his

advanced flying experience,

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turing company.

hadges of a preat cross-section of the prewar industry. In 1956, Edwards had added

to his responsibilities the powerful Cowley-based Pressed itself had been formed by William Morris in 1925, with the American works-engineer Edward G. Budd, pioneer of welded-steel car bodies.

The activities of Pressed Steel were widened during the next few years to supply specially designed steel bodies and other equipment, not only for BMC's cars, but to much of the rest of the British car industry, including Bentley. It

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DIRECTORY

Aviation, and, in its turn, incorporated into British Aerospace in 1978. Meanwhile, after the cre-ation of British Leyland in 1968 (with Jaguar also being

absorbed), Edwards was invited to move to Harland & Wolff in Belfast, first as deputy chairman, and from 1970 as chairman. The company survived, just, but as Anthony Burton writes in his history of British shipbuilding, it is clear that had its base "been in Newcastle or Glasgow instead of Northern Ireland", it would have been closed.

son's Government of 1974.

Beagle was sold to Scottish

Through a long series of difficult industrial situations. Edwards gained a reputation for steadfast integrity and straight dealing. But he always refused to become involved in the political machinations surrounding in-dustrial problems, other than by attempting to sort out the engineering and administrative consequences.

He retired to live at Sandbanks, to play golf and to join the Royal Motor Yacht Club. He was twice married: first to Frances Mabel Haddon Bourne, who died in 1975, by whom he had three sons and a daughter; and secondly, in 1976, to Joan Constance Mary

and the Beagle Bulldog, which Thomas Heinitz, musician and became a standard elemenhi-fi expert, died in tary trainer for the Royal Air London on May 26 aged 75. Force, as well as for the He was born on August 12. 1921. Swedish and other air forces. Nationalised by Harold Wil-

HI-FI used to mean hi-falutin', but such fidelity.

Yet he was never a great businessman: he always refused to sell an expensive piece of kit if he thought a cheaper one would serve the customer as well. He was also a champion of the small is beautiful achool

in Berlin, and was among the first Jewish England when the Nazis took power. He was immediately enrolled at Bryanston, speak like any other public school lad of the day. He was already pass-Vishart.

Critique, which he edited and wrote. He

## TOM HEINITZ

Thomas Heinitz, almost single-handed, made it popular with musicians. He succeeded because he understood not only the mysteries of recording equipment, but the music it is supposed to serve with

At his unassuming shop in Bayswater, he happily married technical expertise with the art he so much loved. Among his customers were Shostakovich, to whom he exported the first Quad loudspeakers to enter the Soviet Union, and Benjamin Britten and Peter Pears in Aldeburgh. At a time when hi-fi was considered an esoteric business, only for specialists interested in valves and tweeters. Heinitz's musical training meant he was able to speak to them authoritatively about their music while selling them the goods.

Heinitz was born into a musical family ildren to be sent by their families to where he lost his accent and learnt to ionate about music, and befriended his Bryanston contemporaries the flautist Richard Adeney and the composer Peter

At what was then Northampton Polytechnic, he studied electrical engineering while running a magazine called

worked as technical expert at the Gramophone Exchange in Soho in its golden days, while conducting the orchestra of the Workers' Music Association in his spare time. Among other credits to his baton, he directed the first British performance of Shostakovich's First Piano Concerto, with Paul Hamburger as



the soloist. But having started a family, he was forced to give up the time-consuming business of conducting to keep his job. In the early 1950s, he set up on his own, as one of the first to sell hi-fi to the true music-lover. He was one of the first in the country to do so, and he wedded the sale of discs to that of equipment in a unique manner. His Saturday afternoon live recitals enabled customers to listen to the latest LPs on the best equipment in a friendly, informal

atmosphere.

Above all, he wanted musicians as customers, and he did all he could to woo them. The business flourished in a secure. small-scale way until the economic depression of the late 1980s. It was about to go down when it was saved by a like-minded businessman, Paul Rosefield. Young experts in their twenties then joined Tom in a new, profitable and happy relationship, which lasted until

For 50 years, his burly, genial figure was a familiar fixture on the classical musical scene, and he wrote copiously and expertly about new recordings. He contributed regularly to Saturday Review in the United States, and, until its demise. to Records and Recordings in Britain. His reviews were at once wise and enthusiastic. He favoured late Beethoven, all Schubert and Wagner. He admired, in particular, the twin poles of Toscanini and Furtwängler.

Besides reviewing discs, he was a regular attender at concert and opera performances, ready always to expatiate knowledgeably and sometimes dictatorially - on the performance in question.

He regularly encouraged performers he admired, and was instrumental in the late flowering of the pianist Vlado Perlemuter and the early flowering of Mitsuko Uchida, whom he recommended to the veteran conductor Kurt Sanderling, sending him a tape of her playing. Sanderling immediately gave her a concert engagement.

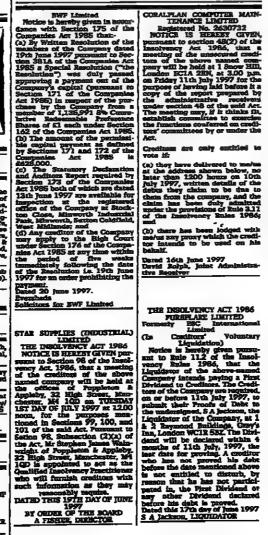
His devoted wife, Viva, predeceased him. He is survived by a son and two

daughters.

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#### FRANK PINION

Frank Pinion, author. died in Sheffield on May 24 aged 88. He was born ia 1908.

IN A career of diligent literary activity. Frank Pinion produced a number of books on Thomas Hardy's life and work, as well as a series of Macmillan Companions to a large number of other authors who are central to the English literary tradition. There was never a time when he was not writing or editing an article or book

Francis Bertram Pinion was born into a farming family near Peterborough, the second of seven children. His academic promise was such that after winning a place at Soham Grammar School, he was awarded a scholarship at Fitzwilliam House, Cam-

There followed more than 30 years of teaching: at Whitehaven Grammar School from 1930 to 1932; as head of English at High Pavement,

until 1961. During his period

Nottingham. until 1947; as

second master at Hymers College until 1950; and then as

Headmaster of Woodhouse

Grammar School, Sheffield,

as headmaster, the school was much admired for its efficiency and friendliness. The final years of his career were as Reader and Sub-Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Sheffield University.

to work with the energy and dedication that had typified his career. He lectured at home and abroad and had strong links with the Universities of Michigan and Kansas. He maintained his interest in the American Field Service, a programme for linking American and British schools which he had helped to establish. Much of his time was given to lecturing and organising tours and day-schools for the Sheffield University Extramural Department. His first book was pub-lished in 1941. On his desk

when he died were the entries he was writing for Oxford University Press's forthcoming Reader's Companion to Hardy Studies. Perhaps he will be best remembered for A Hardy Companion, a valuable and comprehensive work of reference published in 1968. This was so successful that he followed it with companions to Jane Austen, the Brontes, George Eliot, Tennyson, D. H.

In retirement, he continued Lawrence and T. S. Eliot, all published by Macmillan. Among his other works on Hardy, for whom he had a special regard, were Thomas Hardy: Art and Thought. A Commentary on the Poems of Thomas Hardy. Hardy the Writer, and the immensely informative result of a lifetime's study, Thomas Hardy: His Life and Friends.

In recognition of his services to literature, a DLitt was conferred on him by the University of Cambridge in 1981, and he was elected an honorary vice-president of both the Thomas Hardy and the George Eliot Societies. For ten years he edited the Hardy Society's Review, and he was one of the most popular lecturers at the society's biennial conferences in Dorchester, where he and his wife had many friends.Her death two years ago ended a partnership of nearly 60 years, in which she was a valuable support in his work. He is survived by a daughter and a son.

#### ROYAL OPERA. THE RUSSIAN BALLET

The Ballet on Saturday night gave us nothing new but everything fresh. L'Oiseau de Feu given for the first time on Tuesday night was repeated and followed by M. Nijinsky's and Mme. Karsavina's delicious duet Le Spectre de la Rose, the gossamer fantasy of which was brushed away by the exuberance of the dances from Borodin's Prince Igor. L'Oiseau de Feu is one of the best ballets

brought to us by the Russians, who have brought us many wonderful things. The reason is that it contains so much. It does not concentrate upon one phase of emotion, like the intensely vivid Scherazade, which is to be revived on Wednesday, nor does it rivet attention upon the technical accomplishment of the dancers, a method which in England. where technique is not generally understood, is apt to be a failure. But it gives enough of these pleasures to be enjoyable to those who can appreciate them.

The prelude, with its sombre sound, its

muttering theme on the basses, its touches of undefined colour on the wind instruments, prepares the mind beautifully for the rich scene by M. Golovine, the detail of which is half hidden in the strange green light. One

#### ON THIS DAY

June 24, 1912 **WARRY** 

Balletomanes were fortunate to witness, within a short space of time, two performances of Stravinsky's magical L'Oiseau de Feu (The Firebird) with Tamara Karsavina, and also Karsavina in Le Spectre de la Rose with the incomparable Nijinsky.

wonders whether the scene was painted after listening to the music, or whether the prelude was the result of M. Stravinsky's impression of M. Golovine's sketch. The luminous entrance of the fire-bird is the first clearly outlined fact given on the stage, while Mme. Karsavina flutters before our eyes struggling for liberty, the music takes a place of secondary importance. But it comes to the fore again in the charming episode where the 13 enchanted and enchanting princesses shake down the silver apples from the tree and respond coyly to the advances of Ivan. the hero. One gets a suggestion of some of the

dance figures of Les Sylphides here - less formal, of course, for instead of the elaborate pointed toe-dancing, the 13 princesses run bare-footed and it is only the grace of their movements and grouping which attracts the eye. This is the musician's opportunity and he takes it by abandoning the impressionable style and giving us beautiful melody with a vein of tender sentiment which is as far removed from the dramatic opening as it is from the spectacular scene to follow. All those diverse elements are summed up in the scene where the fire-bird (more like a firefly than any bird we know of) hovers in the centre of the stage inspiring the ecstatic dancers of the courtiers and the wicked old monster of the castle cowers in a corner. One is inclined to grudge to Mme. Karsavina, the help of a mechanical contrivance for her final exit, when she has done so much flying on her own account through these scenes. It was just an instance of how impotent is realism in

comparison with suggestion.
In Le Spectre de la Rose M. Nijinsky made his only appearance of the evening, but in the ten minutes that he was on the stage he gave us all the delightful qualities of his art — its buoyant youthfulness and joy in movement, in which there can be no suggestion of

THE DINGS

Preview: Meet Colin Edwards, the royal family's biggest fan. United

Kingdom! (BBC2, 9pm). Review; Joe Joseph on 60s-style political

Where Clinton quails

America, with 4 per cent of the

world's people accounts for a quar-

ter of greenhouse gas emissions. Reducing these would be in Amer-

ica's own interest; but Bill Clinton's zeal for world leadership apparent

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domestic lobbies ...... Page 23

Where once four major UK banks dictated the shape of financial ser-

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adjust to a new era where the stock

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National character may be a fusion

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could be the product of parliamen-

tary government, it-may be-influ-

enced by geography but, above all,

it is the result of rain ...... Page 23

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## THE TIMES TODAY

#### NEWS

#### Blair makes 'save the planet' plea

■ Tony Blair called on world leaders to save the planet for their children and grandchildren. He urged them to match Britain's ambitious target of cutting greenhouse gas emissions by a fifth within 13 years.

In a plea to 70 heads of government at the United Nations the Prime Minister used his family to press home his message that the big industrial nations such as America would fail future generations unless they acted now.... ...Pages 1, 16

#### College split on sex-change don

■ The only all-female college at Cambridge University has broken 126 years of tradition by admitting to its fellowship a woman who started life as a man. The decision to admit Dr Rachel Padman, 43, as a fellow of Newnham College has caused discord among senior academics.

#### Aid revolution

The link between Britain's £2 billion aid budget and domestic sales of arms and unstruction

#### projects is to be severed .... Page 1 Ulster arms deal

The British and Irish Governments have agreed a new approach to IRA arms decommissioning aimed at breaking the deadlock in the Northern Ireland ...Page 2 peace process

#### Killer hunted

A murdered music student was remembered by her family last night as "the little girl with the big voice" as police in Northampton stepped up the search for her

#### Down to earth

Students looking for high salaries should beat a path to dentistry departments and put all thoughts of theology out of their heads, a survey submitted to the Government's review of higher education suggested.

#### War on nuisance

Residents who claim their tranquil lifestyle in a tiny Scottish village has been wrecked by three nuisance families are to hold a public meeting in an effort to tackle the menace......Page 8

#### 12 years for Kray

Charlie Kray, the elder brother of the gangster twins, was jailed for 12 years for masterminding a £39 million cocaine deal .. Page 9

#### Model train

A locomotive made from 185,000 bricks, and compared by its creator to the Pyramids, was unveiled in Darlington ...... Page II

#### PoW breakthrough

British veterans maltreated in Japanese prisoner-of-war camps were claiming a breakthrough in their fight for compensation from the Tokyo Government... Page 12 German archives

Some of Germany's most famous companies are opening their archives to allow historians to assess their collaboration with the . Page 13

French family protest Lionel Jospin is facing the first demonstration of his premiership today as French family groups protest outside the National Assembly against his plan to end universal child benefit .... Page 14

#### Clinton setback

in a rare victory for the struggling Whitewater investigation. Hillary Clinton will have to surrender notes of private conversations with White House lawyers after the Supreme Court rejected . Page 15 her appeal ....

#### Chinese move in

The British Government has accepted a Chinese request that an extra contingent of the People's Liberation Army be allowed into Hong Kong before the handover of sovereignty ....

#### BBC anger over Oasis scoop

■ BBC Radio I is involved in a war of words with a small Scottish radio station after it was beaten in the battle to be the first to broadcast the long-awaited new single by Oasis. Radio 1 DJs publicly accused Forth FM of skullduggery after the station scooped the BBC's exclusive first broadcast of Oasis's much-hyped Dyou Know What I Mean? ....



Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert, former Wimbledon champions, at the opening of the new Number One court yesterday. Page 48

BUSINESS

Cable television: Cable and Wire less Communications and Tele-West, Britain's two largest groups, are in talks to form a common TV and phone brand.... ....Page 27

Savers: The Government may use its new individual savings account to defend the tradition of mutuality by restricting its use to building

Millwall: Buchler Phillips, the accountants, became the proud owners of 10 million shares in the troubled second division football club, as part of the £400,000 payment received for work on its .Page 27

Markets: The FT-SE 100 fell 18.1 to 4575.8. Sterling rose from 101.2 to 101.5, up from \$1.6539 to \$1.6647 and DM2.8647 to DM2.8673 .... Page 30

Tennis: Tim Henman won his opening match at Wimbledon, defeating Daniel Nestor, of Canada, in straight sets in the inaugur-

al encounter on the new No!

SPORT

Cricket: The second Test at Lord's ended in a draw, England finishing on 266 for four after Australia had declared at their overnight score in the hope of forcing victory Page 46 Footbull: David Jones, of Stockport, was made manager of South-

Souness. Andy Gray turned down the post at Everton ..... Page 47 Rugby union: Nigel Redman, the Bath lock, will captain the Lions against Free State today in the latest match of their South African

ampton in succession to Graeme

ARTS World art: The sleepy German city of Kassel is once again hosting Documenta, a global round-up of contemporary art. Richard Cork

ground passages .. Classical choice: German baritone Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau was a sensation from his first recordings in 1951. But which CDs are the collector's pick?

seeks inspiration in its under-

Air play: The Japanese choreographer Saburo Teshigawara has turned his fascination with air into a 90-minute work that is rather too earth-bound ......

Glory boys: In the wake of critical and commercial acciaim for their album, Radiohead put on a terrific show in Dublin and demolished the beautiful losers tag ...... Page 21

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Cut above: Magnus Linklater reports on a new method for entering the chest cavity which reduces the trauma of serious operations and carts recovery time .... ...... Page 18 Mortimer's voyage:John Mortimer reveals how his new novel about London's homeless led him to

make a voyage round Cardboard

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Franchising: Has franchising recovered from the blow it took during the recession? Rodney Hobson

Help: To whom do you complain if you are unhappy with your lawyer? Frances Gibb looks at the legal profession's new moves to police . Pages 39, 41

The top concern at the Denver summit was not this time the US budget deficit or the Japanese trade Surplus. It was the hesitation of Europe in adapting to the con-straints of globalised trade. The Europeans were unable to mask a certain disarray among themselves. The question is how to stay aboard the train of the post-industrial revolution, a train on which the seats, whether one likes it or not, come at a high price for society Le Soir, Brussels

#### COLUMNS

Under a cloud:

NatWest .

ANATOLE KALETSKY Today's Labour leaders are child-

ren of the Thatcher-Reagan era. They cannot resist the conventional wisdom that people will always vote against higher taxes. Yet the election's message was loud and clear: voters have had enough of the private affluence and public squalor...

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Judges should err on the side of robustness, and remember that people who take up adventurous sports are in a very different position from cinemagoers or Saturday mall shoppers............ Page 22 SUE CAMERON

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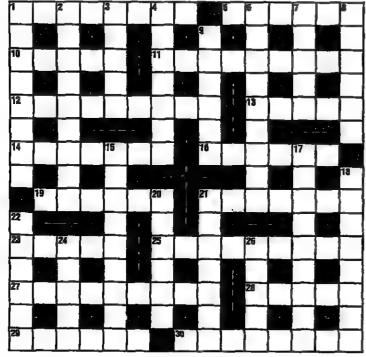
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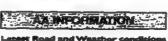
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El London, SE, SW & Central S England, E and W Midlands, Channel Isles, S Wales; dry, clear or sunny spells, becoming cloudler later. Wind moderate or fresh NW, becommg SW Max 19C (66F).

LE Anglia, E & NE England: isolated showers at first, becoming dry. Wind fresh NW, moderating and swinging W. Max 17C (63F).

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Orloney, Shettand: variable cloud, dry. Wind NW to W. Mex 12C (54F).

Outlook: showers or longer spells of rain, mainly in the East.

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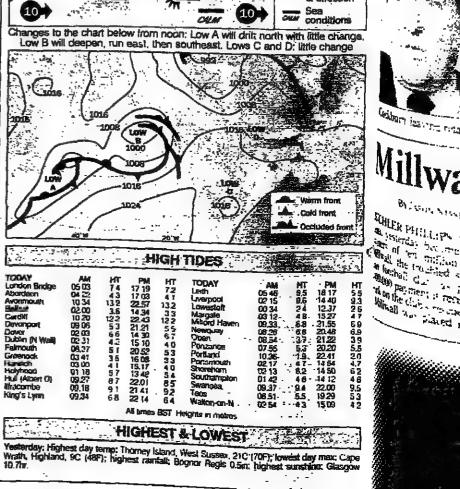
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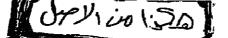
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## Cockburn joins BT from WH Smith

BY FRASER NELSON

WH SMITH, the struggling high street retailer, was olunged into fresh turmoil yesterday as Bill Cockburn, its chief executive of 18 months, resigned to become managing director of British Telecom.

His resignation was met with dismay in the City, and £99 million was wiped off WH Smith's market value as the shares fell 35p. to 376p — their lowest for almost two years.

Analysts said that Mr Cockburn's departure, as WH Smith starts an overhaul of its UK retail network, cast doubt over its chances of staging a full re-covery. The fall came in spite of confirmation that year-end results will be in line with the £125 million expected by the market.

Jeremy Hardie, chair-man, said he was disappointed by Mr Cockburn's decision to go, but said that he understood the attraction of his new job. He also credited him with freeing WH Smith from Do-It-All, the iossmaking DIY chain, and Niceday, its troubled office supplies company.

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He said: "We've had a great deal out of Bill. I find It hard to look back to the days when we had those two albatrosses around our neck. It's really good to think clearly now and take the business forward."

Mr Cockburn said he was sad to go, but the job offer was "irresistible". He joins BT in October and will report to Sir Iain Vallance, the chairman. which analysts say may reignite rivalry the two are understood to have established when working at the Post Office in the 1970s.

Mr Cockburn will not join the board of Concert. due to be formed by a merger of British Telecom and MCI this summer, although third-in-command of the largest business. He will work in a separate building from Sir Iain. Commentary, page 29



# CWC-TeleWest £5.5bn link-up in prospect

CABLE and Wireless Communications and TeleWest. Britain's two largest cable groups, are in talks to form a common television and phone brand that could lead to a £5.5 billion merger.

The move could give them powerful ammunition in their market share war against British Telecom and BSkyB, the satellite television company 40 per cent owned by News International, owner of The Times.

Fred Vierra, chairman of TeleWest and chief executive of the Denver-based TeleCommunications International which owns 27 per cent of TeleWest, said yesterday: TeleWest and CWC are talking about co-operating. We cannot rule out a full merger as a possibility down the

A merger would create one of Europe's largest multi-media groups. TeleWest was the cable industry's largest player until April, when CWC was formed through the £4.5 billion merger of Mercury Communications and the Nynex, Bell CableMedia and Videotron cable companies. Cable and Wireless owns 53 per cent of the new company.

CWC has about 600,000 cable-TV customers, more than 1.2 million telephony customers and will have access to millions more when its networks are completed in four years.
TeleWest, whose market

value has plummeted from more than £1.5 billion to less than £1 billion since its flota-tion in late 1994, has about 550,000 cable TV customers. 700,000 telephony customers and access to four million homes in its franchise areas. Mr Vierra said he has held preliminary talks with Gra-

of CWC, about joining forces in some areas, specifically the branding, promotion and advertising of their phone and TV products:

Mr Wallace could not be reached for comment. Tele-Communictions and CWC know each other well, however. The former has a 51 per cent voting interest in Flextech, the second-largest supplier of cable and satellite programming after BSkyB.

Flextech is in talks to supply programming packages, including the new subscription channels to be launched by the new Flextech-BBC joint ven-ture, to CWC.

If TeleWest and CWC effectively merge their telephony and TV businesses, the Cable and Wireless brand probably would be adopted. CWC has dropped the Mercury name and is spending some £50 million to promote the Cable and Wireless brand.

Mr Vierra said: "What is mandatory is common brands and common promotion. TeleWest has not established a strong brand of our own." A merger of TeleWest and

CWC would require the approval of the Office of Fair Trading and Oftel, the telecommunications regulator. Oftel might look favourably on the deal because it would create a stronger competitor to BT. Oftel wants BT's market share to continue declining so that it can step back as a day to-day regulator and become more of a competition authority.

☐ TeleWest is to announce today that Lynn Rexroth, chief operating officer, is returning to the US and will be replaced by David Van Valkenburg, who is currently a senior cable executive at US West International. US West owns 27 per ham Wallace, chief executive



Cable king: Fred Vierra says that TeleWest and CWC are talking about co-operating

## Panel is sacked in shake-up of PFI

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Government yesterday administered radical surgery to the Private Finance Initiative. sacking the panel that has overseen the troubled policy and putting the Treasury in dir-

ect control of future PFI work. Geoffrey Robinson, the Paymaster General, was not able to detail the make-up and head of the new Treasury taskforce, the replacement for the PFI panel. But his move to streamline the policy - which brings private cash into public building projects - was largely applauded by industry, which has born heavy costs in money and time through the notoriously slow PFI process.

Mr Robinson backed a report by Malcolm Bates, the chairman of Pearl Assurance, which called for strong central line management of PFI and a core unit to participate in projects. He also wants projects to be prioritised and tested for suitability before the procurement process starts.

The CBI, which had lobbied for a role in reforming PFI, said the announcement was "what business wanted to hear". The CBI added: "The focus on immediate action is particularly welcome. So too is the attention given to mediumterm issues such as improved

Mr Robinson said: "I am confident that at last we have the foundations on which public and private sectors, in partnership, can deliver an initiative to be proud of."

The Government is keen to get a number of large health projects off the ground and it is wedded to the PFI as a vehicle because it keeps public spending to a minimum. Education is another priority area for PFI work.

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**BAT** payout

Reed deal

Reed Elsevier, the Anglo-Dutch publishing group. picked up 39 trade magazines from Walt Disney yesterday in a \$447 million cash deal.

## **HSBC** eyes Royal **Bank of Scotland**

By ROBERT MILLER

group that owns Midland, is believed to be poised for a takeover strike on Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS). Sir William Purves, head of

HSBC, which has a market capitalisation of £49 billion, is known to have a particular fondness for the Scottish clearer and could fund the purchase of RBS, which is capitalised at just under £5 billion, from £4 billion of

The Midland, which earlier this year dropped its famous griffin logo, is seen by analysts

HSBC Holdings, the banking in the City as the weakest of the traditional high street dearers.

A merger between the two, which would lead to the disappearace of Midland, would pose no competition

As speculation continues to mount that Barclays wants to buy NatWest, although NatWest said yesterday that it had not received a formal approach, the UK banking sector is braced for a bout of mergers and takeovers.

## Pound sets another record | New saving account

By Alasdair Murray

THE pound surged to another post-ERM high yesterday as interest rate and Budget worries continued to dominate the markets. Sterling's trade-weighted index rose 0.3 to a five-year record of 101.5 as the pound rose more than a cent to \$1.6647.

Sterling also touched a post-ERM high against the German mark, rising from DM2.8647 to DM2.8673. Traders predicted that the pound should push towards DM2.90 in the near future.

However, the stock market slipped for the sixth consecutive day as fears grew that the Bank of England will make a half-point rise in base rates to

The FTSE 100 closed down 18.1 points at 4,575.8, with major exporters, such as ICI and British Steel, hit by the renewed rise in sterling. FTSE 100 debutants, Alliance & Leicester and Halifax, also declined because of profit taking, while tobacco stocks fell in the wake of the \$358 billion US tobacco industry damages settlement.

The latest economic fore cast from the Society of Busi-ness Economists, which is published today, predicts that growth will slow rapidly over the next two years as tax and interest rate rises begin to bite. David Kern, chairman of the SBE's forecasting team and group chief economist at NatWest, said that GDP growth will hit a peak of 3.5 per cent this year as windfall payments boost consumer spending, but it will fall back towards 2 per cent in 1999. Inflation is forecast to reach

more than 3 per cent next year, above the 2.5 per cent target, although the strong pound will limit it to 24 per cent at the end of this year.

continue to grow.

other members of staff, as well as

putting 12 players on the transer list.

The administrators then hired a new

Mr Kern said the SBE does not anticipate any outright recession and output should

#### courage savings that would ISAs, the proposed savings incentive. Further details of could eventually supplant taxexempt special savings accounts (Tessas) and personal equity plans (Peps) may be announced in next week's Bud-

converting societies would have been taxed at flotation.

Ms Keeble used her maiden speech to make a plea for mu-

# 'limited to societies'

tuality: "We need to make sure

that, if the door is really to

close on one era of mutual

building societies, people still

have real choice in financial

services, and people on lower

incomes can get the benefits of

services that are run in the

interests of the customer, and

not simply the shareholder."

Government sources em-

phasised that plans for ISAs

are not yet detailed, but minis-

ters are said to be considering

By Nathan Yates and Anne Ashworth

THE Government may use its new individual savings account (ISA) to defend the tradition of mutuality by restricting it to building societies. In a move that government

sources say meets with "broad

sympathy from ministers, Sally Keeble, Labour MP for Northampton North, last night called for ways to en-"embody mutual principles". Such a move would exclude former societies from offering these proposed schemes that get. Labour is known to be looking for ways to safeguard societies. Before the election, the party examined the potential for a windfall demutualisation levy, under which

all options. The Halifax which has the largest share of the savings market said last night that the ISA should not be restricted to a "small and decreasing sector of savings providers. We hope that any scheme would be launched in a similar way to Tessas - offered to savers through a broad range of savings institutions".

largest building society commented: "We do not want to seek an unfair advantage. But we do want to see a level playing field between banks and building societies."

The Nationwide, now the

#### Millwall administrator takes shares in part-payment David Buchler, is a former director many had expected by sacking the of both Barnet and Tottenham manager, Jimmy Nicholi, and 19 each. Yesterday the accountants David Buchler, is a former director

BUCHLER PHILLIPS, the accountants, yesterday became the proud owners of ten million shares in Millwall, the troubled second division football club, as part of the £400,000 payment it received for its work on the club's rescue. Millwall was placed in adminis-

tration during January with debts of £10 million and was relisted yesterday after Theo Paphitis, the stationery and lingerie businessman, backed a £10 million rescue rights

issue at lp a share. Buchler Phillips, the administrators, agreed with Millwall to convert a quarter of its fee into shares, receiving 10 million shares at 1p

were sitting on a £25,000 profit as the shares rose to 14 p in the market.

Lee Manning, who headed the Buchler Phillips team, said: "It was a way of us helping the club get going. I wish them the best of luck - except when they play Fulham, who I

constantly for six months." Mr Manning, whose colleague, trol of Millwall it went further than for buying new players.

intensive deal," said Mr Manning. "We had four or five people working When Buchler Phillips took con-

Hotspur, defended the level of fees,

which work out at 4 per cent of

Millwall's debts. "This was a labour-

The resuce by Mr Paphitis leaves Millwall with £2.75 million to spend on its stadium and about £500,000

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## Lonrho 'firm' on hotels sale and demerger plan

By Paul Durman

LONRHO assured investors yesterday that it is still on track to sell its Princess Hotels chain and to demerge many of its African businesses, as it reported a sharp fall in first-half pre-tax profits

from £61 million to £38 million. However, Nick Morrell, chief executive of Lonrho, said talks with JCI. the South African mining company that proposed a merger last month, remained at an early stage. "There are a number of questions which we have

to," he said. Lonrho hopes to come to a decision "in weeks" on whether to oceed with the talks.

The JCI deal has been portrayed as way to allow Anglo American Corporation to carry out the enforced sale of its 27 per cent stake in Lonrho by swapping the holding for Lonrho's 33 per cent stake in Ashanti Goldfields of Ghana.

Tiny Rowland, Lonrho's former chief executive and still a large shareholder, urged the company not

he detailed Anglo American's extensive links with JCI and suggested Anglo American's interest in Ashanti was the rationale behind the merger proposal, and questioned the quality of JCI's gold mines. "JCI needs Lonrho, but Lonrho certainly does

Lonrho's negotiations to sell Princess Hotels to Prince al-Waleed bin Talal have dragged on for many months. Mr Morrell said the delay had been caused by the demands of

not need JCI," Mr Rowland added.

the lenders to the transaction. "We lion to £70 million. The company also are towards the end of the process of satisfying the lenders." he said.

Operating profits from Princess fell from El2 million to El0 million in the haif year to end March, but Mr Morrell does not expect this to affect the eventual sale price.

Lonrho's results were hit by the strength of sterling, lower profits from Ashanti, weak prices of platinum and gold, and weaker performances from its African businesses. Operating profits fell from £92 mil-

had to write-off the £15 million it invested in the Amantaytau gold project in Uzbekistan, having decided it offered insufficient returns. Dieter Bock, former chief executive, was closely involved in this project.

The full-year results will include a £129 million exceptional profit on the recent sale of Lonrho Sugar for £225 million. The interim dividend, payable on October 1, was held at 2.25p.

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## BAT to pay \$1.7bn instalment in US tobacco damages

BAT INDUSTRIES will pay \$1.7 billion this year as its first instalment towards the \$358 billion damages settlement deal agreed between the US tobacco industry and antismoking lawyer

Insurers will not

be asked to bear

tobacco deal cost

By Marianne Curphey

Shares in BAT closed down 22 p at 567 p after the news, although analysts said that the decline was mainly because of

But the City was divided on the merits of the deal, with critics claiming that the US tobacco industry had agreed a much tougher deal than ex-

BAT Industries will not seek

to offload the cost of its

landmark tobseco liability

settlement in the United

States on its UK insurers, a

move that will relieve firms

with BAT policies, including

Commercial Union and

In theory the cost of

litigation and settlement

could be passed on to those

companies with whom BAT

took out general product

liability insurance from the

1930s onwards. However,

BAT is believed to have

decided not to pursue its

any proceeds it won from

them would have to be paid

to the US states, in addition

to the industry's \$358 billion

Paul Hodges, a divisional

director of Schroders and

the author of a report into BAT's historical liability

coverage, believes that last

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suffered a serious reversal in the US courts. BAT supporters said the deal would end the uncertainty clouding the share price and pointed to the fact that Brown & Williamson, the company's US tobacco subsidiary, is currently valued at

BAT, the third largest tubecco company in the US, has a reserve of about \$3 billion to pay for the first contribution and is expected to raise cigarette prices in the US by about 50 cents a packet to cover the costs of future payments.

"diminishes" the threat of

BAT taking its insurers to

court. He said: "Had BAT

and the other tobacco manu-

facturers been allowed to

retain more than 20 per cent

of the proceeds from a court

settlement they might have

been more willing to take

still has a number of hurdles

to overcome. If it falls apart

the tobacco companies

could well look again at

their insurance coverage.

The threat is diminished but

said: "Any claim from our

insurers would depend on

lots of different policies spanning several decades, all with different exclusion

clauses. Our opinion on

these clauses is irrelevant as

they would certainly be test-

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ed in a court."

spokesman for BAT

not entirely eliminated."

Nevertheless, the deal

the matter further.

ment attempts to cap potential losses at \$1 billion and prezero by BAT's share price. cludes the award of punitive But there were signs yester-day that some of the initial euphoria which greeted the deal's announcement on Friday was wearing off with fears increasing that the settlement could still face a bumpy ride through Congress before be-

> Shares in the UK's other tobacco companies, Imperial and Gallaher, also fell back as concern mounted that the antitobacco battle would now switch to Europe. Imperial, which produces the Regal and Embassy brands, fell 18p to 282p, while Gallaher, best known for its Silk Cut and Benson & Hedges brands, dropped 132p to 3932p.

payments, the US tobacco

industry has also agreed to

tougher regulation in return for immunity from class ac-tion and state legal claims.

Individual claims can still be

brought, although the settle-

The two companies are already facing an attempt to bring a 40-strong class action damages case next month, while a number of health authorities have recently expressed an interest in pursuing medical costs claims through the courts.

The industry is also under siege from the Government which has announced plans to further restrict tobacco advertising and is convening an anti-smoking summit in the middle of next month.

But the two companies insist that they are under no pressure from investors to consider pursuing a US-style settlement. No UK legal case to date has made substantial progress in the courts, while the UK tobacco industry is already taxed about three times more highly than in the US and has tougher advertising restrictions in place.



## Mismatch at Harvey Nichols

HARVEY NICHOLS, the Joseph Wan, chief execu- 50 per cent of the flagship er, failed to match analysts forecasts yesterday as it lifted pre-tax profits by a third to nancial year as a public company (Dominic Waish writes).

HSBC James Capel, the group's broker, had pencilled in profits of £12.8 million (£9.2 million last time). The shares Tempus, page 30 shed 16½p to 286p, compared with 270p at flotation.

El0 million Leeds store, which opened in October, was still trading well after a spectacu-lar first few weeks, generating two thirds of the sales of the Knightsbridge store in its first six months.

However, he gave warning that the "huge impact" of the opening blitz was unlikely to be sustainable and predicted a settle down figure of about

tive, said that the group's new store's sales. Total turnover in the year to March 29 rose 27 per cent, to £114.2 million, with just under half that improvement coming from the the Leeds opening and the £3.8 million Oxo Tower restaurant, London, Launch costs of El million for these sites were partly to blame for slightly

lower than expected profits.

A final dividend of 3.9p makes 5.8p for the year.

## Phytopharm venture for obesity treatment

PHYTOPHARM, the Cambridgeshire company that develops medicines from plants, is to work with a research agency backed by the South African Government to develop a treatment for obesity. CSIR, which has a \$150 million turnover and 3,300 staff, has been working to isolate the appetite-suppressant properties of an indigenous South African plant. However, the active constituents have proved many times less effective than the whole plant extract.

Whereas most conventional drugs are single chemicals. Phytopharm hopes to secure regulatory approval for plantbased drugs that are a combination of different compounds. It intends to apply this experience to the CSIR plant. The CSIR will retain the marketing rights to any resulting product in South Africa, while Phytopharm will seek licensees for other markets. With more than 70 million obese adults in the developed world, the obesity market is estimated worth up to \$30 billion.

#### Adare out to acquire

ADARE PRINTING raised pre-tax profits 41 per cent, to IrE10.9 million, on sales up 65 per cent, to IrE116 million. Earnings per share rose 29 per cent. to 62.2p. The year's dividend rises 50 per cent. to 7.598p. Denis Bergin, chairman. said: The group will continue to make acquisitions in its strategic path of branded goods and services in niche print and stationery sectors. The group is assembling scale to its activities to ensure that it is a solid, cash-generative entity."

#### TBI flies to £19m

TBI, the commercial property group that owns Belfast and Cardiff airports, almost doubled pre-tax profits to £19.1 million last year after increasing the number of shops for passengers. The company, which last month bought Orlando Sandford airport in Florida, said average spend per customer at Cardiff rose 6 per cent. Net asset value rose 14 per cent, to 47.3p a share. Earnings rose 18 per cent, to 4.22p a share. A 1.5p dividend is due on October 1. Interim payouts will start next spring.

#### Sema wins Thames deal

SEMA, the Anglo-French computer services group, has won a £23 million contract to look after the computer system of Thames Water, the privatised water company. The deal, which is to last over seven years, adds to Sema's existing list of five water companies, making it the largest player in the sector. Thames Water's existing computer staff will be transferred over to Sema, with most moving to work in Andover, Hampshire. No jobs are being lost.

#### VTech Holdings ahead

VTECH HOLDINGS, the consumer electronics manufacturer, announced pre-tax profits of \$50.6 million (\$35.7 million) for the year to March 31. The rise came after growth in demand for its educational toys, strong sales in cordless phones and restructuring of the computer division. Group turnover was \$731 million (\$688 million). A final dividend of 5 cents (5.5 cents) is set to be paid on August 6. making a total of 8 cents (8 cents) for the year.

#### High rise for Allen

ALLEN, the building contracting and engineering group, raised pre-tax profits 34 per cent to £10.5 million in the year to March 31 on sales that rose 41 per cent to £154 million. Earnings per share rise 15.2 per cent to 18.8p, out of which the total dividend increases 13 per cent to 7.5p. The company says the outlook for the construction market continues to improve and it is confident that the group will again achieve a considerable improvement. The shares rose 4p to 336 2p.

#### Tadpole issue flops

TADPOLE TECHNOLOGY, the troubled laptop computer producer, has failed to meet its target of raising £2.5 million in rescue funds after its rights issue flopped with a 40 per cent take-up rate. The company raised £2 million through a firm placing, but found only £2.08 million of the £5 million it hoped to raise through the rights issue. It plans to use the cash to resuscitate its microchip board division and refill the marketing budget for its SPARCbook computers.

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#### Shares plan for water directors

YORKSHIRE WATER directors will be in line for share allotments worth more than £50,000 if shareholders back a long-term incentive plan to reward performance (Chris-

tine Buckley writes).

The company, which was fined by the regulator for its poor performance in the 1995 drought, will face shareholder opposition at its annual meeting from Waterwatch, the lobbying group.

The incentive plan will offer shares up to the value of 40 per cent of directors' salaries. Payouts will depend on the performance of Yorkshire's shares against a group of

other water companies.
Yorkshire will put the scheme to shareholders on July 10. The company said that the plan would be extended to senior managers in due

#### TOURIST RATES

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Belgium Fr	62.03	57.39
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Cyprus Cypt.	0.888	0.821
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## Standard Life investment chief quits after a year



JOHN THOMSON, Standard Life's chief investment manager, yesterday resigned after a boardroom disagreement over how the mutual

Mr Thomson had been in the job just a year, after having been promoted last June when his predecessor. Dick Bartield, resigned at 49 to pursue other interests.

Mr Barfield shook up the

investment market by issuing a set of corporate governance principles shortly before he left the company.

In accordance with those

guidelines, Mr Thomson will receive no pay-off as he was on a contract with a short notice period. Mr Thomson, 47, has been with Standard Life for 15 years and managed more than 150 billion of funds. He is

BY MARIANNE CURPHEY expected to leave on July 15. He joined in 1982 after ten years as an economist and investment analyst. Sandy Crombie, 48. his superior, said

that Mr Thomson had handed in his notice last week after a difference of opinion over how the fund management arm had developed. Mr Crombie said: "Standard Life has publicly stated that it wants to expand its

investment management oper-ation to compete with other fund managers. John and I disagreed over the pace and order in which that was to be done. He has tendered me his resignation and he will leave here in a few weeks in an orderly fashion. We have yet to find a replacement for him."

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with £567 million last year. Funds under management in

#### Unit trust sales at May record

highest sales for May, worth £673 million against £528 million in the same month a year ago (Robert Miller writes).

The Association of Unit Trusts and investment Funds (Autif) said that the record May sales were down on the previous month's figure of £1.6 billion, which included end-oftax-year personal equity plan (Pep) sales. The association added that Pep sales in May were £642 million, compared

1,694 trusts rose to £149 billion. against £143 billion in April. while unitholder accounts increased to 8.9 million from 8.8 million in April and from 7.4 million in May last year. Autif said that, for the fourth successive month, the UK growth sector was most popu-

# lar with private investors.

## Digital-TV ruling due today

BY ERIC REGULY

BRITAIN'S two largest ITV companies will learn this morning whether they have won the right to launch digital terrestrial television, a broadcasting sys-tem that will greatly expand viewers' choice with dozens of new channels.

The chances of British Digital Broadcasting (BDB), originally formed by Carlton and Granada, the ITV broadcasters, and BSkyB, the satellite broadcaster. improved at the weekend when BSkyB agreed to withdraw from the consortium. BSkyB is 40 per cent owned by News

International, owner of The Times. The move came after the Independent Television Commission told BDB that BSkyB's inclusion in the group posed competition problems. BSkyB already dominates satellite broadcasting, and the

ITC fears that it could use its influence to dominate digital terrestrial broadcasting Granada and Carlton are now negoti-

ating to buy BSkyB's one-third stake in BDB. BSkyB would still supply BDB with its premium sports and film channels. These channels, along with those to be supplied by the new BBC-Flextech joint venture, would form the heart of BDB's programming. BSkyB might also supply its subscriber management systems.

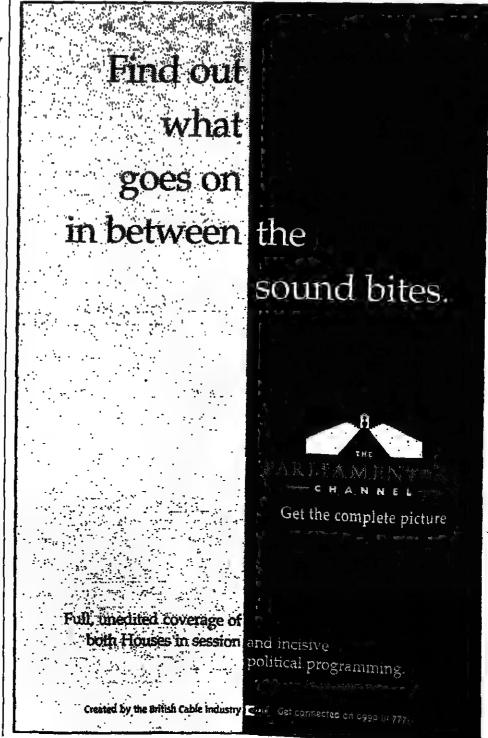
BDB's only competitor is the Digital Television Network (DTN), owned by NTL an American cable company. United News & Media, the ITV and newspaper group, recently agreed to invest £120 million in DTN if DTN's bid

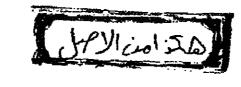
succeeds. Until BSkyB's withdrawal, DTN seemed to have the upper hand, There is some chance that the ITC will split the licences, allowing each group to broadcast digital TV on a smaller scale.

The loser of the digital-TV sweepstakes is likely to seek judicial review of the decision. If DTN luses, it will probably argue that BSkyB's withdrawal as an equity partner did not alleviate the competition issues because BSkyB would still supply programming and probably

subscriber management services.

BSkyB shares declined 11p. to 487½ p. partly on concerns that the BDB hid will not win. The shares fell sharply last week after Sam Chisholm and David Chance. the company's two top executives, said they would resign in January.





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Bill Cockburn's decision to leave WH Smith in favour of the managing director's job at BT had a deeply depressing effect on the Smith share price. The reaction was right but

perhaps the reasons were wrong.
Understandably, Mr Cockburn has leapt at the chance to
take a higher salary in a business
that is in the processor of accounts. that is in the process of securing a long-term future through its merger with MCI. Coming at a time when the main WH Smith chair is no present to finding a chain is no nearer to finding a raison d'etre than it was when he joined the group 18 months ago, the headhunters must have sounded like messengers from heaven when they first whis-pered their proposition in his ear.

But his departure leaves Jeremy Hardie, Smith's chairman, with the same problem he had when Mr Cockburn was recruited from the Post Office, fresh from trying to persuade the Government that full scale privatisation was what the PO deserved. What he faced was the difficulty of providing a reason why shoppers should head for WH Smith. Waterstones is not a bad brokehop urbile Vision and bad bookshop, while Virgin and Our Price know how to sell music. Through those busi-nesses, WH Smith has been effectively cannibalising its eponymous store chain for years and there is as yet little indication that the painful process will halt. Mr Cockburn has had some

difficulty in finding the retail dream team to transform the

## Hardie's perennial problem

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business. Earlier this month the commercial director left after nine months in the job. A month earlier one Beverley Hodson was paraded as the new head of retail. She had the benefit of not being linked to the Smith founder, as had been her predecessor, but her other qualifications for the job were hardly impressive. Most recently, she had been in charge of some of Sears' shoe shops, including the

Dolcis chain. Sears shareholders, for whom shoes have proven to be as pain inducing as bunions, may not have felt this made her the ideal candidate for the job. But Mr Cockburn was more adept at dispensing with people — and businesses — than acquiring them. In his 18 months, he certainly scaled down the business effectively. Some would say, however, that selling companies is not the toughest of tasks if you are not too bothered about the property. too bothered about the price. He wasted little time in ridding Smith of the business supplies division and half share in the Do It All DIY business. This macho management helped turn a 1995 profit of £100 million into a pre-tax loss of

The philosophy may have been right, but timing important.

£200 million.



Boots, Smith's partner in the Do It All joint venture, decided to hang on, continue sorting out the business, and wait for the upturn in the market. While Smith continues to pay its former partner for taking on its share of the venture, Boots is confidently predicting profits pertuger.

predicting profits next year.

It may be mean to point it out, but it was not just the WH Smith share price that sank on news of his move: BT slipped backwards

Caveat emptor - you will pay in the end

Three hundred and fifty eight billion dollars is a great deal of money - even if you say it quickly or spread it out over 25 years. But anyone who thinks that the settlement struck between the Clinton administration and the tobacco companies is the end of the issue about who pays for the health

problems caused by the cigarette makers — or indeed drinks or car manufacturers - is living in cloud-cuckoo-land.

Already the US senate is

indicating what horrors may lie ahead with comments like: This deal is only square one." Weeks of debate are bound to follow. And there will not be many votes to be had in downtown Poughkeepsie by favouring Phil-lip Morris. What's more, this settlement only deals with the claims by the US states, and leaves the tobacco companies open to individual actions, especially as the fag makers now have to admit liability. Other countries outside the US must be salivating at the judgement. Brit-ish Colombia in Canada looks like being the first non-US government to move. Health service trusts over here could follow soon and the German federal states will not be far behind.

And if tobacco companies have to pay out to cover the medical

costs of treating cancer and lung disease victims, why should it end there? Why not force drinks end there? Why not force drinks makers to pay for the treatment of people with liver complaints, or the damage caused when lager louts go on the rampage? And shouldn't the car companies have to pay for the pollution damage caused by their cars? The tobacco ruling opens the floodgates. It says: "Here are a hunch of guys who made profits

bunch of guys who made profits without regard to the medical damage that their products cause. Now they have to pay." It is a lesson the likes of T&N and the chemical companies have learned with their asbestosis liability or environmental cleanup cases in the US, that the sins of 20 years ago can come back to haunt you today. Claiming you have cleaned up your act may not help. If you are a carmaker whose new models stand up to the emissions tests, you will have to pay out for the lead poisoning caused by your 1960s model.

The ramifications for business could be horrendous. The US has already demonstrated in the area

already demonstrated in the area of medical care the escalating costs of litigation. Liability cases have pushed up medical care costs because of the insurance charges and have brought a shortage in particularly litigious fields. In the future if you want a fields. In the future if you want a smoke, or a drink, or a car you will have to pay through the nose

#### Steamroller wanted to steer the PFI

alcohn Bates has been admirably speedy in delivering his thesis for revitalising the Private Finance Initiative. If he could have encouraged Pearl Assurance, where he is chairman, to take a similarly energetic attitude to dealing with some of its mis-sold pensions, Economic Secretary Helen Liddell would undoubtedly have given him a pat on the back. But, on the basis of yesterday's evidence, the prob-lems of PFI are rather more easily dealt with than those of pensioners. All that is required is prioritising of projects, a little gentle testing and some strong

management from the customer side of the equation, and all will

Yet it may take a little more than a wave of the Mandelson magic wand to bring wary construction companies rushing to build new hospitals.

Putting PFI squarely under the control of the Treasury is an admission of the importance of the scheme to the Government's plans but will hardly reassure those who have already spent expensive months battling with bureaucrats to persuade them that their shareholders do not expect them to provide the country's capital projects on a char-itable basis. It is now esseential for the PFI initiative to have a chief executive who can steamroller schemes over Whitehall's obstacles. The candidate needs to be someone who understands how business operates and how civil servants think.

#### Its a standard life

JOHN THOMPSON has quit Standard Life after a row over policy. He is said to have no sinecure waiting in the wings, but is leaving without the now customary farewell handshake that normally accompanies executive departures, along with trite comments about furthering per-sonal ambitions or wishing to run a poodle parlour in the South of France. This may be Scottish meanness at work, but it is to be applauded.

## Reed Elsevier buys Disney magazines

REED ELSEVIER, the Anglopublishing group, picked up 39 trade magazines from Walt Disney yesterday in a \$447 million cash deal.

The purchase of Chilton

Business Group from ABC, a Disney subsidiary, follows Reed's announcement in March that it was willing to spend £3 billion on acquisitions this year.

Disney was looking to shed Chilton, which operates mainly from Pennsylvania and whose titles include manufacturing, automotive and entertainment sector magazines.

Chilton made profits of \$28 million last year and has enjoyed 17 per cent compound growth in profits since 1992. bition management and business research services.

Reed's interest was regarded as logical, given its ownership of Cahners Publishing, the US group with more than 90 specialised trade journals worldwide. Chilton's trade magazine and research services will be merged with Cahners.

Nigel Stapleton, co-chairman, said: "We expect the acquisition to be earnings accretive for Reed International and Elsevier from

the outset. Chilton brings a strong management team and excellent content which will enhance the critical mass in our ongoing electronic community initiatives in the manufacturing and entertainment

The deal, which is subject to US Government clearance, has tax benefits. Reed will be able to amortise about two thirds of the £400 million-plus cost related to intangibles and

goodwill over 15 years.

Mark Armour, chief financial officer, said that it could raise margins at Chilton from their 1996 level of 14 per cent, with 20 per cent a target. Some savings are expected to come from paper purchasing

Headded said there was still substantial financial capacity" for futher purchases. He also brushed aside suggestions that the current success of the Lexis-Nexis database, bought for £1.1 billion at the end of 1994, was threatened by decreasing co-operation from Reuters, the news agency, which is pushing its own stand-alone services harder.

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#### Compass in French meals deal

By ADAM JONES

COMPASS, the acquisitive international contract caterer, pushed further into Europe yesterday with a deal to buy SHRM, a French group with a strong presence in school and hospital meals.

Compass said yesterday that it has agreed the purchase of 93.32 per cent of the com-pany for Fr2.19 billion, with the balance expected to be bought in due course. SHRM had sales of Fr3.88 billion in 1996, making profit before tax of Fr129.5 million.

Compass also announced that it has agreed to sell its U.17 per cent shareholding in Generale de Restauration back to the French company's owner, Compagnie Générale des Eaux. The stake was bought for £28 million in January and is being sold because of the more complete French exposure given by the SHRM deal. Compass is expected to show a significant profit having paid only an initial FrSO million.

#### **Yorkshire Food incurs** £26m loss

YORKSHIRE Food Group. the troubled producer of dried fruit and nuts, yesterday said that it continued to enjoy the support of its bankers. in spite of unveiling pre-tax losses of £26.3 million for 1996, against profits of £5.9 million for 1995 (Dominic Walsh writes).

The company's shares, ravaged by profits warnings, fell a further lp to 102p. They were floated, in 1993, at 110p. The figures, on turnover down from £174.4 million to

£159.8 million, were slightly worse than expected, largely because of adverse trading conditions in the US and losses from discontinued Mike Firth, chairman and

chief executive, has been overseeing disposal of most of the group's UK businesses and is now sorting out its US businesses and restructuring its

A company spokeswoman said: "They're not out of the woods yet, but they've got the support of their banks and they're moving forwards."

## Chinese tycoon raises stake in Chelsfield

property tycoon, has increased her stake in Chelsfield, the property company run by Elliott Bernerd, investing a further £8.5 million to increase her stake by 1 per cent to 14 per cent (Carl Mortished writes). Ms Wang, who is said to be one of the world's richest women and controls Chinachem, the Hong Kong

NINA WANG, the Chinese joined the board a year ago as a non-executive director at the same time as Lubna Olayan, a member of the Saudi Arabian Olayan family which owns a 9 per cent shareholding in Chelsfield.

Ms Wang, whose interest is held through a private company, Summerwind, bought 2.3 million shares on Friday at 370p per share. Chelsfield's property group, is also a share price slipped 3½p yes-director of Chelsfield. She terday to 367p. Important information for all Lonrho shareholders from Mr R W 'Tiny' Rowland

# LONRHO-JCI

## Will a couple of paper trades enrich Lonrho shareholders?

LONRHO, A FAMOUS AFRICAN PRESENCE, IS IN THE PROCESS OF NEGOTIATING A MERGER WITH THE TROUBLED JCI

## Lonrho shareholders are entitled to know: Who is behind these merger talks, and what can be expected from them?

Dear fellow shareholder.

After saturation press coverage on the JCI deal, black empowerment, potential synergies and other subjects. Lonrho shareholders are entitled to know what is behind it all. Several weeks ago, shareholders were told that Mr Khumalo and his black empowerment group had taken over control of JCI, effectively by having 10% in a little property company called NKP, which has a 34.9% stake in Saflife, which in turn holds 30% in JCL. If that already seems too confusing do not bother looking at the network of 20 or so companies built around Mr Khumalo which help to divert public attention from Anglo's involvement.

Much has been written about Mr Khumalo, his mentor Mr Rosenberg, and how he started his business. Lonrho shareholders may be interested

- that Mr Khumalo was appointed a nonexecutive member of the board of Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Ltd, on 1 April '97

- that Mr Khumalo has been on the board of an Anglo associate since '94

- that Mr Khumalo's mentor is a director of AMIC, another Anglo company, as well as being the CEO of McCarthy Group Ltd.

- that McCarthy Retail Ltd, where Mr Khumalo was a board member, is a company 85% owned by the Anglo company McCarthy Group Ltd

- that 3 top executives of Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Ltd, including the new chairman of Amplats and one director of JCI, are on the board of McCarthy

- that McCarthy helped to set up Mr Khumalo's Capital Alliance, and

- that the Saflife consortium behind the acquisition of the JCI shares from Anglo, priced at R 54.50 per share, is virtually a "Who's Who" of Anglo associates and Anglo nominee companies.1

Throwing light on Mr Khumalo's background and backers still doesn't fully explain why Anglo, Khumalo and his new partner Kebble, are so keen to get Lonrho's board to agree to a merger with

Looking at JCI's assets, with its troubled major gold mines, Western Areas, Randfontein and the more interesting Joel, the conflicts with the labour force (including the possible redundancy of 4100 mineworkers), and JCI's financial position, shareholders will ask themselves why Lonrho would want to merge its low-cost, high-potential mining assets with those of JCI, if it weren't for Anglo's influence. A look at the new JCI board, where the majority come from Anglo's camp (including Mr. Wadeson, who briefly represented Anglo on Lonrho's board), makes it clear who is in charge of the deal.

Lonrho shareholders will be puzzled if they look behind JCI to the structure of 'JCI's controlling shareholders', who include the new partners of Mr Khumalo, the Kebbles and companies like Consolidated Mining Corporation (CMC) and Hosken Consolidated Investment (HCI), Anglo associated companies, and two companies called Randgold and Randgold Resources. Khumalo and Kebble, the new 'controlling' shareholders of JCI, have based their investment in JCI on a complicated web of new and old companies. Two pillars of their investments are the 30% in JCI, bought for R54.50, but now trading at R32 levels, and an investment in Randgold Resources, a company whose value is based mainly on a lossmaking mine in Mali. Bought for \$30m in cash plus paper from giant BHP, the mine seems suddenly to have a far higher value according to Khumalo's new partners, CMC, Randgold and Randgold

It is quite hard to see where Lonrho's potential South African partners expect to make money, other than by taking advantage of Lonrho's undervalued assets. Lonrho shareholders need answers to the following natural questions:

- 1 Is the driving rationale Anglo's extreme interest in the Ashanti mine, rather than the unequal merger? 🕞
- 2 What are the true financial strengths and weaknesses of the parties proposing the merger? It is easy to see what they can take from a merger, but not what they can
- Will Lonrho's board yield to pressure from Anglo American, the controlling shareholder
- 4 Why is JCI now controlled by a labyrinthine network of companies? Who is in charge of the complicated network behind JC1?3
- 5 The new partners of Mr. Khumalo base their future on the investments they hold via Randgold in Randgold Resources, a company to be floated this week in London whose main asset is a loss-making mine in Mali. What is the real value of the mining assets of Khumalo's partners? How strong are the new controlling shareholders in JCI, and what role will they play in any merged Lonrho-JCI
- 6 The JCI deal was described as 'black empowerment' by Anglo; with Khumalo's new partners, some analysts now call it Flack empowerment', after the Randgold chairman, Peter Flack. What experience and background in mining do the new people involved in JCI have, and how does their track record look? Lonrho's mining assets have an excellent track record. What about JCI/Randgold?
- 7 Mzi Khumalo has said to the financial press that JCI under his direction will be the world's

leading gold producer. Where then is the logic in proposing to hand Lonrho's excellent gold interest over to Anglo and merge JCI with the

JCI's new board is still controlled by Anglo directors. What would the new Lonrho/JCI look like? Even if Anglo were to buy Lonrho's 33% stake in Ashanti with their 28.4% in Lonrho (17% of which is held by a trustee at the order of the European Commission) + cash on a £500m + basis, wouldn't the majority of any new Lonrho-JCI board be Anglo loyal?

In local newspapers all over Africa, Lonrho is reported to be selling assets. Why doesn't Lonrho's board tell Lonrho shareholders that their given task is to hand over a cash loaded Lonrho mining company to Anglo and its partners in JCI? What other explanation can they offer for the loss of will to run our company?

- 10 Lonrho was the only real Pan African company. Africa is becoming the emerging market with investors interested in all areas of Africa. Why can't Lonrho's board use Lonrho's strength to build up a strong Pan African mining company instead of merging it with 'second class' assets in South Africa?
- 11 There are reports that plum positions in a merger may have already been offered to Lonrho executives. That's the wrong end to begin on any deal. Safeguarding Lonrho's shareholders and what's left of Lonrho's assets is the right end of the deal. As the single largest individual shareholder, I want Lonrho to do a good deal. I strongly oppose a JCI deal as so far reported in the press as no business - just show business. JCI needs Lonrho, but Lonrho certainly does not need JCI.

Yours sincerely,

R W ROWLAND 23 JUNE 1997

'As Mr Khumalo explained in a recent interview with the Financial Mail: "It's been disappointing. Very disappointing. Old Mutual, Liberty Life, Sanlam, these big institutions, didn't put a penny in."

<sup>1</sup>An unrealised book loss of R1.02bn. 'As a journalist in the South African Star has put it: "I can't pretend to understand the vagaries of the bullion price, or even hope to properly grasp the complicated deal weaving done by Brett Kebble / Mzi Khumalo with ConsMining and

'R. W. Rówland is a non-executive director of Ashanti



## Double dose of profit downgradings hits ICI

wiped from the £0.15 billion stock market price tag of ICI as it was hit by a "double whammy" of profit profit

The price ended 41p lower at 8072 pafter Merrill Lynch, the broker, and Dresdner Kleiwnon Benson, a rival. made substantial cuts to their figures The strong pound and difficult trading conditions were being blamed.

Merrill is said to have cut its forecast for the current year from £530 million to £480 million and for 1998 by £80 million to £640 million. Kleinwort lopped £100 million from its current year estimate of £540 million after meeting the company before its secondquarter close period.

Brokers reported heavy buying of "puts" on the options market, indicating that the shares are set to fall further. Only last week ICI raced up on a recommendation from Paine Webber, the US securities house, which set a target for the shares of 950p. viewing ICI in a more positive light since it bought Unilever's speciality chemicals business.

Meanwhile, the group has begun its global equity offering of shares in ICI Australia. of which it owns 185 million shares, or 02.4 per cent. It plans to sell between 120 million and 140 million of them.

Another big sell-off of the index on the futures market provided another lurch downwards for the cash market. One broker said: "It looks as if someone has got a bad position out there and is frantically trying to cover it."

At one stage, the FTSE 100 index was down almost 47 points, but it rallied, finishing 18.1 down at 4,575.8 as 870 million shares were traded.

GEC led the rally with a rise of 1512 plat 354p as the old story about a merger with British Aerospace, down lp at £13.4812, resurfaced. A total of 11.24 million GEC shares had traded by the end.

Norwich Union, a newcomer, touched 3334p before finishing just 2p firmer at 32612 p on vague bid talk. It seems more likely that market-mak-

ers are short of stock.
Troubled NatWest Group was hoisted 37p to 78312p on reports that it might soon find itself the target of a bid from Barclays Bank, up 512p at Ell.69. Barclays has dismissed the reports as speculation.



Shares of Next, the retailer. finished 6p lower at 6822p

Last month NatWest proposed a merger with Abbey National, down 82p at 796p, which was rejected. Since then it has issued a profits warning and the head of NatWest Markets, its securities arm, has resigned.

Alliance & Leicester fell 8½p to 594½p after taking its place along with Halifax, down 2012p at 74912p, as constituents of the top 100

companies. another rocky ride as the price fell 11p to 48612p. The satellite broadcaster, which is 40 per cent owned by News International, owner of The Times, has been forced to pull out of digital terrestrial broadcasting and will have to sell its stake in British Digital Broadcasting. Granada, 3½ p easier at 835p, and Carlton Communications, unchanged at



tobacco companies fell sharply in response to the US litigation settlement thrashed out over the weekend. It is reckoned to be worth \$358. billion over the next 25 years. Worst hit was BAT industries, down 21 ₁2 p at 5672p, followed Gallaher, 18p off at 282p. and Imperial Group, 134p

lower at 393 2 p. Paul Preston, at Générale Strauss Turnbull. was surprised by the falls. The impact on profits will be limited. All the money paid out can be recovered through a price increase of 50 cents a packet, apart from a £1.7 billion down-payment met from reserves.

Imperial and Gallaher are not involved in the US litigation and Mr Preston says there is little prospect of it happening over here. "There is only one action

in the UK and its not made much progress," he adds. He says BAT should be share and that with the group's US arm valued at zero. But Martin Hawkins at Greig Middleton, the broker, described the deal as "horrific".

holders in BDB.

WH Smith fell 35p to 3762p after the sudden departure of Charles Cockburn as chief executive midway through the group's restructuring pro-gramme. He is to join BT in October as managing director. Tony Shiret, an analyst at BZW, said that the departure

of Mr Cockburn left the company rudderless and prone to in-fighting.
Next ended 6p lower at 6822p. Dresdner Kleinwort

Benson thinks that poor weather has affected sales. The same may apply to other store groups. Losses were seen in IJB Sports, down 19p at 466 p, Blacks Leisure, 32 p to 417 2 p. John Menzies, 12 2 p to 445p, DFS Furniture, 124p to 585p, Kingfisher. 12p to 6955 p. and Argos, 7p to 5642p. Eurotherm finished 82p lower at 3712p after Charterhouse Tilney, the broker, said that the shares were 'overvalued", it said that the group was struggling to deal the impact of strong pound. Pressure on prices and margins was certain to increase in the second half. Michael Blogg, an analyst, said: "It's an uphill struggle and the hill is getting steeper".

Recycling Services was also hit by a profits warning. falling 25p to 8712 p. The group said second-half profits would be materially less than those in the first half, which included a three month contribution from G&P Batteries.

Premier Healthcare was sent reeling 5p to 19p by the news that it expects to report a full-year loss of £1.1 million because of the decline in US nursing numbers GILT-EDGED: Investors

appeared reluctant to open fresh positions before tomorrow's auction of E2 billion of Treasury 7 per cent 2003. Prices drifted for much of the day, with longer dated issues proving more resilient than

In the futures pit, the Sep-tember series of the Long Gilt finished Esia lower at £113316 in low turnover that saw just 38,000 contracts completed. At the longer end. Treasury

8 per cent 2015 was £1132 off at £1072732, while among shorter dated issues, Treasury 8 per cent 2000 was seven ticks lower at £10219/32. NEW YORK: The Dow Jones industrial average was down 52.02 points at 7.744.49

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## A deal to gasp over

governments telling them what to do. Instead, someone must take the blame. The sacred freedom to sue and be sued lies behind the complex \$358 billion settlement between the tobacco industry and the state health authorities, which promise to rein in their lawyers as long as the industry continues to pay the

agreed settlement.
This is, however, really tax under another name. BAT's Brown & Williamson will pass on the \$2 billion annual penalty in the form of a 50 cent increase in the price of a pack of 20 -tomorrow's smokers will pay for the past sins of the tobacco industry. More evidence of hypocrisy can be found in the comical attempt to plug a loophole in the settlement. Foreign tobacco manufacturers or anyone who fails to

AMERICANS are different, or so they tell us.
They don't like taxes and they don't like "renegades") will be refused immunity from "renegades") will be refused immunity from suit (fair enough) but will be subject to a sales tax at the same rate as the proposed price increase.

Thus, the tobacco barons will protect their turf from interlopers selling cheap cigarettes; the barons' price for agreeing to pay this nontax is the Government's agreement to impose a tax on others. This deal could be good for BAT. if only because it allows investors to put a price on a solid but declining cashflow. The price increase will hurt volumes, possibly taking \$100 million off BAT's \$1 billion of US profits. Valuing that on a multiple of 6 to 7 suggests that BAT shares, at 567p, are at least £1 undervalued. However, Congress still has to pass the legislation and lawyers could still scupper it; so celebrations may be premature.

#### Lonrho

ONE day it may be possible for investors to value Lonrho without worrying about the hive of corporate activity buzzing in the background. Currently, that day seems as far away as ever. Lonrho's prospects are wrapped up in next year's demerger of its African businesses, the longdelayed sale of Princess Ho-

tels and the putative merger with JCI of South Africa. Investors are assured that the sale of the Princess chain to Prince al-Waleed bin Talal is held up only by the banks' demands for due diligence. A deal with JCl looks much less likely. While Lonrho expresses cautious interest, JCI's sketchily outlined pro-posal, makes little sense. The suspicion remains that JCI is simply piggy-in-the-middle of Anglo-American's scheme

merged with Lourho. A more intriguing pros-

pect for Lonrho and its shareholders would be to use the £300 million or so from

prized stake in Ghana's

Ashanti Goldfields. Supposedly an example of black

empowerment, the South Af-

rican Government's ambi-

tions for JCI would surely

fall by the wayside if it

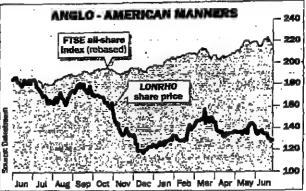
egg on its face.
Including the quoted Ashanti and other investments at market value, Lourho is worth

Princess Hotels to buy back

Anglo-American's 27 per cent stake. Lonrho would then

preserve its Ashanti holding but Anglo would be left with

163p per share. Even with all the doubts, the market price of



#### Reed/Elsevier

to grab Lonrho's highly

REED ELSEVIER was brandishing a £3 billion war chest earlier this year. In that context, yesterday's purchase of Chilton Business Group from a Disney subsidiary for \$447 million is small beer but it has its attractions.

Chilton is a business-to-business publisher with titles catering for the automotive and entertainment industries. This is grist to the mill for Reed's business publications arm. Costs will be assiduously cut but Reed's main focus today is getting its magazines and data on line. The Anglo-Dutch group

wants royalties and fees from on-line data transmission to form a big part of its future profits and Chilton's titles will soon be fed into this market. nue enhancement, the cost savings available in the conventional publishing operaenjoyed on \$270 million of the

DOLLAR RATES

from the strength of sterling and increased development spend, the shares are not worth chasing.

lion seems a fair price.

The deal may be earnings

enhancing immediately, but

given the risk that full-year

profit forecasts will suffer

TBI is setting itself up as BAA's little brother, an airport operator with a sideline in property investment. At the moment, property investment is still contributing the lion's share of TBI's profits; the pre-tax gain in the past year was boosted with £6 million of property, trading

profits. Investors cannot rely on real estate to swell the coffers every year but the airports vestment property as the main profit earner. Airport rents already outstrip the inportfolio but more important. TBI has yet to tap the poten-

tial of these businesses. which should become more reliable sources of revenue. Growth at Belfast and Cardiff was hindered by the wellpublicised capacity reductions initiated by tour operators, which have now been reversed. Passengers at Belfast spend only £1.95 per head at the airport, well be-low the £5-£6 earned by BAA at its airports.

Of course, Belfast and Cardiff will never achieve the spending rates at Heathrow, facking the high-spending international transfer passengers, but there is no reason why Belfast passengers should not double their

Valuing TBI is a puzzle, but its airports should grow at faster rates than BAA and therefore justify a premium. suggests El per share and in this property market, a 12 per cent discount is hardly

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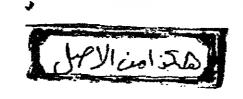
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## Dawn of a new era for banking sector

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Rationalisation is virtually inevitable for the over-banked British high street, says Robert Miller

alk of an opportunistic bid for the troobled NatWest banking group by Barclays, its arch-rival, is probably just that - but only for the moment. The time is fast approaching when the over-banked high streets of Britain will see a rationalisation changing the look and the way in which personal financial services are sold.

There are many reasons behind the latest flurry of activity in the banking sector, which has seen a brief flirtation between NatWest and Abbey National, Barclays merging with NatWest and now HSBC rumoured to be looking at Royal Bank of Scotland, or maybe Abbey National. One recurring theme, however. and a powerful motivator for talk of rationalisation, is profit. Since the spring, pension fund and unit trust managers have been piling into bank shares, which have risen 15 per cent in relative terms to the market. So with gains, and handsome ones in some cases, is it time for the money managers to sell?

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What has given the sector a boost is the arrival of Halifax and Alliance & Leicester fresh from their building society conversion. Both are now part of the elite FTSE 100 index of top UK companies, with Halifax making its debut yesterday, and the increasing number of fund managers tracking the index are still underweight in the former societies, with the Woolwich still to come. Mike Blackburn, head of the Halifa:, has never made any secret of his ambition for the Halifax to be "the leading personal financial services provider in the UK — by a long way", and further acquisitions will undoubtedly be needed to fulfil his ambition.

The latest arrivals can explain some of the froth in the sector, but by no means all.



Changing times: by the turn of the century the high street could be dominated by five big bancassurers catering for all banking and personal finance needs

The sentiments of Mr Blackburn are probably nearer the mark but logically they cannot all be the largest players in the banking high street. Those who would like to be and probably have as much financial muscle as the banks are the life offices and foreign banks.

Among the insurers the Prudential needs a suitable high street outlet to beef up its telephone banking operation. It has been the market view for some time that the Pru would dearly love to buy the Woolwich, even though it is ring-fenced from a hostile bid for five years. Similarly, if the supermarkets, such as Tesco and Sainsbury, want to become serious players inbanking they too will need to rethink their strategies, possibly with an

Suitable candidates might well include the Nationwide. Although sworn to mutuality, as are the Yorkshire and Bradford & Bingley, Nationwide appears to have lost its sense of direction. The recent farce over the attack on its mutuality by Michael Hardern and his fellow "carpethaggers" is cited by analysts as just one indication of how much the UK's number one society is under seige. The five-year protection rule is all well and good, but if a reasonable offer is put to the board, the directors have a duty to consider it. Similarly, if a fellow mutual, such as Standard Life, wanted to enhance its standing as Europe's largest morual insurer and fledgling bank, then it could be shown that Nationwide and other desired targets are not bi proof.

When Abbey National wanted to buy National & Provincial Building Society it ignored the private rebuff and appealed direct to members only too pleased to be handed another "windfall". Result? N&P no longer exists.

The bid and merger rumours swirling

round the banks, as opposed to the insurers and supermarkets, are partly a result of the Halifax's desire to be the

biggest and the best. But there are other factors at work. NatWest, for example, has a credibility problem which has been exacerbated by the £90 million blackhole in the interest rate options book at NatWest Markets (NWM).

Losses on such a scale are not unknown, particularly in the volatile derivatives market. What shocked observers and Lord Alexander of Weedon, the NatWest chairman, and Derek Wanless, the chief executive, is that the losses went unnoticed for years. The market view is that Martin Owen, the former chief executive of NWM who quit last week. should have stood down sooner and the the investment bank should-have been taken by NatWest much sooner.

As a result of its reluctance to act with any sense of urgency NatWest is seen as vunerable to takeover. This was underlined by the fact that it was so keen to do a deal with Abbey National. The proposed terms were kept within the boardrooms but it takes little imagination to work out that the top roles would have gone to Abbey people rather than NatWest.

The overlap of branches is another factor. If UK banks do end up merging or taking over each other, the clearest targets for cost savings would be more branch closures accompanied by further heavy job losses. In the present political climate that may be a stumbling block to some image-conscious bankers, as could the competition angle in the shape of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

Parallels are often drawn between NWM and BZW, the global investment banking arm of Barclays. Neither has offered a respectable return to shareholders when set against the amount of capital njected into them. Barclays has scent hundreds of millions of pounds on buying in senior managers rather than buying businesses. Both investment banks are vulnerable but Barclays can probably buy a little time, whereas time appears to have run out for NatWest Markets.

The lesson to be drawn from NWM and BZW is that building a global investment banking operation is like trying to scale Everest without oxygen. It can be done, but few achieve it. As Sir Brian Pitman has shown with Lloyds TSB, there is much to be said for sticking to the knitting, or even retail banking.

None of the UK banks can feel particularly happy about their market positions, although in terms of "getting it right" so far. Lloyds TSB, Bank of Scotland and Royal Bank of Scotland can feel some satisfaction, as can Abbey National.

However, the fact is that Britain overbanked. By the turn of the century it has been estimated that the high street will be dominated by five big bancassurers catering to all banking and personal financial needs. On that scenario it is not hard to see why the money managers are prepared to

## As advertising outlets proliferate independent agencies fight to survive, says Eric Reguly

#### hris Ingram, the chairman of CIA Group, is in a bad mood. Things were going swimmingly at the media-buying company until he learnt that the head of CIA's Italian business had sold his 14.4 per cent stake to WPP Group, the advertising giant that owns Ogilvy & Mather and J Walter Thomp-

He now fears that CIA, one of the few independent players in the media-buying industry, is about to get drawn into WPP's global conquest strategy, especially now WPP has bought another 1.8 million shares. Ingram, 54, the "Cl" of ClA, said: "I wasn't very pleased ... because we want to remain independent. But I wasn't surprised."

Indeed, WPP's investment in CIA reflects the growing importance of media buyers in general, and stand-alone buyers in particular, as the market becomes more fragmented. WPP's intentions are not known. Officially, the CIA shares are being held as an "investment"; but it is an open secret that Martin Sorrell, the group chief executive, wants to merge the media divisions of Ogilvy and JWT in Europe, but his efforts are thought to

have been resisted. One theory making the rounds is that Sorrell might buy all of CIA and use it as a platform to create a separate media-buying business that probably will include the media divisions of Ogivly and JWT. Alternatively, he could simply use the threat of acquiring CIA to speed up the "unbundling" process at Ogilvy and JWT. The former is more likely. There seems

Power battle stirs passions in complex world of media buying



Independent: Crispin Davis of Aegis Global aims: Martin Sorrell of WPP





Displeased: Chris Ingram of ClA

to increase its stake in CIA. Sorrell would not comment on his intentions for WPP but confirmed that combining the media-buying power of WPP's agencies is his long-term plan.

CIA planted the seeds of its own potential destruction in 1993 when it bought 40 per cent of Medianetwork, the Italian media buyer founded by Marco Benatti ten years earlier. Benatti, now 44, took shares instead of cash and became vice-chairman (CIA's £17 million share placing last week diluted his stake from 14.4 per cent to 12.5 per cent).

Medianetwork's billings more than doubled in three as Kraft and Toyota. The success of the Italian operations masked growing friction between Ingram and Benatti. There is a fundamental difference in style," Ingram said. Benatti sees himself as action man and probably thinks we're ditherers here, though

we are expanding rapidly into new countries." The Italian's inability to speak English did not help. The relationship deteriorated and Benatti decided to unload his CIA shares. Last month WPP, to Ingram's great shock, emerged as the buyer, paying 170.5p a share for a total £10.2 million of shares. WPP agreed to pay Benatti another £3.3 million if CIA is taken over in

Incredibly, Benatti still runs the Italian operations, though he has resigned from the main CIA board. Sorrell admires Benatti and there seems little doubt that Benatti would be sympathetic to WPP's efforts to gain control of CIA.

the next year by any other

If CIA disappears into WPP's maw, Aegis, the holding company for the Carat media-buying agency, will have the independent mediabuying field to itself. Crispin Davis, the former Procter & Gamble food executive who in 1994, will relish the status

because media has become the hot sector in advertising. Media-buying used to be the simplest of businesses. Reaching the market required the advertiser to do nothing more than buy a 30-second slot on Coronation Street. In recent years, the proliferation of media in every form has made the advertiser's job a nightmare. Direct mail, event sponsorship, hoardings, commercial radio, the cinema and the Internet have all emerged as competitors to the traditional TV and press outlets. Soon, digital TV, with its hundreds of channels, will

more. Each route has different

they are better equipped to research and develop media strategies because it is their sole job.

demographic groups. Stand-alone media buyers believe

Two other factors are changing the media-buying landscape. The first is globalisation — as big com-panies become borderless, they want to develop global images and launch global marketing campaigns. As a result, the demand for media buyers that can cover huge swaths of the globe is rising. CIA and Aegis are devoting all their efforts to global has only a small presence outside of Europe.

The second is power. Sorrell thinks media buyers have to expand to offset the likes of Time Warner and Westing-house, which have been able to use their enormous shares of the TV market to ram through double-digit price increases for advertising space. Larger media buyers, he notes, could act as a "counterbalance". It is a matter of basic economics - the greater the buying power, the larger

the discount. In WPP's latest annual report, Sorrell said: "Given this background, it is not surprising that increased focus has developed on media buying, with the growth of media independents like Carat and

Ironically, it was WPP that was to make CIA the subject of its "increased focus". Combining ClA with the media arms of Ogilvy and JWT might give WPP a headstart in the race to create large, standalone media buyers.

Bitter brew

THE ill-conceived assault on the Coop has prompted suggestions that it might revive merger talks between the Co-operative Wholesale Society and the Co-operative Retail Society. the two bodies that dominate the movement. But they seem riven over alcopops. The CWS has, we know, piously cleared its shelves. However, the CRS comments: "We believe our customers should be free to make an informed choice about the products

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TREVOR NEWTON; the former Yorkshire Water managing director who boasted he hadn't taken a bath for three months in the height of the 1995 drought, has come up smelling of roses. Mr Newton received a handsome £79,000 from his old employers for six months work last year. This came after he beat a hasty retreat from the company last May after Yorkshire's appalling performance during 1995 and revelations

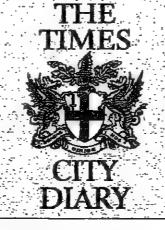


"A good start to business. The phone's been ringing all day, asking me why I left WH Smith"

had, in fact, been nipping over the Yorkshire border to relatives to use their more plentiful water supplies. He must have been bathing some-

where, because Yorkshire has felt able to keep him around longer than expected. Newton's little windfall came from giving Yorkshire advice on its international business and property activities, a role he performed from his resignation as a director until last November. Mr Newton was also, along with the departing chairman Sir Gordon Jones, the recipient of some silverware worth £8,077 as a parting gift. A reminder of happy times, perhaps?

● A RASH of missing persons at Salomon Brothers sparked an in-house investigation. Where were key staff sliding off to at odd times of the day? Investigators narrowed it down to a cappaccino bar on Victoria Station,. below their palatial Victoria Plaza offices. They offered the owner of the bar a trading pitch in-house. He, foolishly, refused. So Salomon, in true free market style, invited in their own cappuccino vendor and trolley, installed it in the lobby and undercut the competition. They were last heard of doing 800 cups a day at £1 each, which beats bond trading for a living. I suppose.



Team spirit

EVERYONE seems to be jumping on the sport and business bandwagon, alas. But the new specialist Sports Group started by Ashurst Morris Crisp, the City law firm, has the advantage that its members each have some link to sport. The team is led by Roger Finbow, a director of Ipswich Town Football Club, and boasts a genuine star in Jonny Searle, winner of a rowing gold at the Barcelona Olympics. The team also includes Tim O'Gorman, the former Derbyshire fast bowler, Logan Nair, who has just retired from the first XV of London Scottish; and Greg Campbell, who represented Northern Ireland as a junior runner. Tony Banks
— I still find it difficult to think of him

as a government minister - 35

visiting Ashurst next week to give a talk. Let's hope he's not intimidated. ● AN UNEXPECTED outbreak of

humour at Toyota, the largest Japa-nese car maker? The company has suggested it might like to join the American Automobile Manufacturers Association, a move welcomed by the US car industry with all the enthusiasm that the US Navy reserved for the attack on Pearl Harbor. As Hiroshi Okuda, president of Toyota, must know, the trade association threw out Honda and Volvo five years ago, changing the rules to re-strict membership to the big three US makers. Toyota says inscrutably that it built 686,000 cars on American soil last year and bought \$6.5 billion of parts from US suppliers.

#### Chinese walls

DISCRETION and timing are the hallmarks of a successful banker. So I am pleased to report that Lord Alexander of Weedon, chairman of Nat-West, has decided to forgo the hardship of a visit to Hong Kong for the handover celebrations. I am told he feels it more appropriate to stay at home and deal with some more local difficulties. Reassuring investors such as Mercury, the Prudential, M&G and Standard Life and explaining plans to turn around the fortunes of NatWest Markets, as well as those of the bank as a whole, should be much more exciting.

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# Franchising makes strong recovery from recession blues

By Rodney Hobson

FRANCHISING is back to business as usual after the recession, declares Peter Stern, head of the franchising section of National Westminster Bank.

His words are borne out by bookings by exhibitors at this year's franchising exhibitions. CII, organiser of the northern event at the G-Mex Centre in Manchester on Friday and Saturday, says that it has 55 stands booked. If it can attract any more, it will have to expand the space allocated for the

CII's previous exhibition, at Wembley, London, in April, attracted more than 10,000 visitors, The target for Manchester is 5,000

Fiona Somerton-Edwards, marketing manager, says: "We have marketed the show nation-

visitors from the Midlands and the South West as well as the North and Scotland."

Exhibitors will include Wimpy. Kall Kwik, Humana, Greenalis Inns and Signs Express.

October's exhibition at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, is on track to beat last year when there were a record 200 exhibitors and more than 12,000 visitors. Already 175 have signed up, including two big newcomers, Haagen-Dazs Cafés and Bang & Olufsen, the hi-fi specialist.

All the major high street banks will be present from October 3 to 5. So will McDonald's Restaurants, Red Star Parcels, Prontaprint and DynoRod. The organiser is Miller Freeman.

Visitors who use a credit card to buy a ticket in advance will be "introduction to franchising"

CII is organising the all-Ireland franchising exhibition in Dublin on November 7 and 8. Exhibitors will include Domino's Pizza.

Banks are showing an increased interest in the franchising sector, which consistently records a lower failure rate than stand-alone

businesses.

Mr Stern has been in his post for 15 years and he believes that a banking industry with a wide spread of expertise in franchising will help to maintain the success rate. He says: "We are not policemen. That is not our role. But if all the banks are involved, we can spot the doubtful cases."

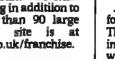
Barclays, which, with NatWest, was a leader in franchising in the early Eighties, is again taking a higher profile. Richard Cracknell, national franchising co-ordinator for the past three years, says that Barclays has not cooled in its attitude to franchising, although he accepts that this has been the perception in the sector.

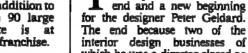
He says: "We have always seen

it as a sector worth supporting. One of my roles is to reconstitute Barclays as a leading bank within franchising."
Mr Cracknell has been talking

to franchisers and franchisees. He says: "They all wanted contact with a local relationship manager. not necessarily a franchising specialist but one who was businessorientated and was comfortable with a balance sheet."

☐ The Franchise Business, a firm of consultants based in Dorset, has set up an Internet site to provide free information on the UK franchise market. It provides background informa-tion on franchising in addition to details of more than 90 large franchises. The site is at http://www.lds.co.uk/franchise.





which he was a director closed as a result of a slump in the housing and retail market. The beginning because a new business emerged. After the closures, Mr Geldard, of Kingsgate, near Broadstairs. Kent, began to work freelance, using a bedroom in his home. The limitations of this improvised office forced him to look for an alternative and he moved into the

The recession in the early

1990s proved to be both the

Unable to find any ready-made buildings that suited him, Mr Geldard built a workshop in the garden "which was really a glori-fied shed". He recalls: "I moved in my drawing board and computer and started working there. It was wonderful and I immediately

It was not perfect, but the impact of having a well-designed office in the garden sowed the seed of an idea. "I felt very strongly that there was a market for such buildings," he says.

realised the benefits."

Starting from the basis that the houses had to be built to housing portable and last for at least 50 years, he approached the Department of Trade and Industry for help in raising development funds and was awarded an Innovation Grant of £6,700.

Peter Geldard with the garden office that is now in demand - in Britain and abroad - by customers of his seven-employee company

Roots of a successful housing plan

were nurtured in DIY garden shed

"It was very hard work getting the grant," says Mr Geldard. However, once the project was under way, the DTI was very helpful and he was later able to apply for startup funds under Regional Selective Assistance. This brought a grant of £6,000, which was 15 per cent of his £40,000 start-up costs. The rest was found with family help and a bank overdraft.

The Garden House company now employs seven people and all the buildings are designed and made at the business's workshops in a converted Kent barn. "It was would manufacture everything in order to have total control over the quality," says Mr Geldard.

It would also have been difficult, he says, to find one company able to meet all the requirements to make the traditional-style timberframed houses, most of which are made to individual, rather than standard, specification. The Garden House caters for the top

buildings ranging in price from £9,000 to £16,000 on average. The pitched-roof, weatherboard-

ed buildings are designed to be transported almost anywhere and, if necessary, moved again. All the parts can be carried through a door, and the building complete with heating, lights and even a kitchen or a bathroom - can be built on site in a matter of days, Mr Geldard says.

The buildings were originally designed to fill a gap in the market for an attractive home office built to a high standard - one of the first he built is now a studio for Mr Geldard's wife, Ruth. who is an artist and illustrator. But he says that less than half the business at present is

people working from home. Instead, the houses, which rarely require planning permission. are popular as an extra family room, as music rooms or to provide extra accommodation. The houses can also be adapted for an elderly or disabled person.

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Advertising and recommendation are the main means of promo-

tion for the business. In addition to

meeting increasing demand from

UK customers, Mr Geldard is

considering new markets. "I am

looking at northern Europe as we

are getting a lot of inquiries from

countries such as Holland,

business, is seeing cash flow and

profits moving ahead of forecasts.

says Mr Geldard, and he expects to

expand, including taking on extra

staff. However, having experienced

the recession, he is understandably

cautious about expanding the busi-

Developing a new company is

demanding and risky, but Mr

Geldard enjoys the challenge. "It

is the first time running my own

business, and I much prefer

working for myself." he says. "The

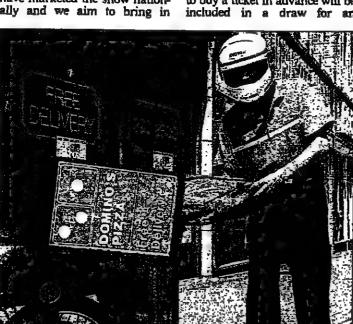
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Germany, Belgium and France." Now in its third year, the

floor to be added.



## Call for self-starters with flair

KALL KWIK, the printing and design company, and Securicor says that candidates will go through a tough selection process. New centre owners will be

Kail Kwik will be using the Manchester franchising exhibition at the weekend to launch a drive for 50 new franchisees over the next

expected to conduct a marketing "walks" out" in their area, introducing u...mselves to local businesses. They will then be required five years to take its complement to to build up a database and to 250. However, Nigel Toplis, mar- conduct a direct mailing campaign

## Value of woman's touch

FRANCHISERS could be missing valuable opportunities because they discriminate against women, according to evidence collated by Lloyds Bank. When the bank asked franchisers whether they preferred particular sections of the business community as franchisees, it found that twice as

many targeted males compared with those trying to recruit women.

The discrimination does not disappear with experience — the longer the franchise had been running, the greater the gap. Mark Hatcliffe, head of franchising at Lloyds, said: "One of the biggest problems faced by franchisers is finding suitable recruits. From our knowledge of the small business sector, we know that gender has no bearing on the success of most ventures and franchisers could be missing opportunities."

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## BRIEFINGS

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☐ Membership of the Federation of Small Businesses has

☐ Some 50 growing companies in Surrey will be helped to become more competitive through innovation. and 20 will have up to ten days of consultancy from the Teaching Company Directorate and Oxford Innovation. The project is funded by the EU and Surrey County Council.

☐ American Express is launching its first commercial retail insurance package - the Business Protection Plan designed specifically for the 50,000 independent retailers and restaurants in the UK. The new service will be available from June 30.

☐ Businesses and individuals with novel ideas and products that can be commercialised are being invited to compete for the 1997 London Lee Valley Innovation Awards. The awards, being offered by the Lee Valley Business Innovation Centre, at Enfield, north London, for the second year since its formation in 1995, will be presented on November 28 at a venue to be decided. The

El,000, with two other awards of about £500 each. Details: 0131-805 8100.

☐ Grants are again on offer under a scheme introduced last year to encourage multimedia use to improve business performance. especially among small and mediumsized companies. Consortiums of multimedia suppliers and users are being invited to enter a competition for the Department of Trade and Industry's Multimedia Demonstrator Programme awards. To qualify, consortiums must show significant improvement in performance through using the technology. The closing date is August 29. For further

Pree factsheets on how small and medium-sized companies can improve export competitiveness have been produced by Lloyds Bank with Willis Corroon Credit, the British International Freight Associ-ation and Coopers & Lybrand. Subjects covered by the factsheets, called International Business - The Inside Track, include insurance and European VAT. Call 0117 923 3881.

☐ The pay of women managers increased 7.4 per cent this year, while that of male managers rose 6 per cent. The average female manager is 37 and earns E31,550 after 11 years in the organisation. The average male manager is 44 and earns £35,761 after 17 years there. The National Management Salaries Survey from the Institute of Management and Remuneration Economics shows that the average female director is 40, has been with her company eight years and earns £71,126, a 9.2 per cent increase. Her male colleague is 48, has been there 14 years and earns £91,957, a 7.8

## Revenue's new regime

THE Inland Revenue may do rigorously enforces the rules on self-assessment, according to one small business adviser

Owners may learn the fi-nancial state of their business only when they receive their annual profit and loss statement from the accountant. Mr Robinson says: "This means the business is virtually running out of financial control

include monthly sales and purchase figures, the amount and percentage of profits. expenses, how much money they owe suppliers and how much is owed by customers. Owners can then work out their current financial position, detecting difficulties before they become big



# not all bad

(Rodney Hobson writes).

Forcing businesses to record all financial transactions will save many from going to the wall, the adviser believes. Peter Robinson, who is based at Oidham, says: "It has been found that the high failure rate of the small business sector is due to lack of financial control."

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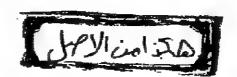
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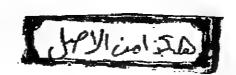
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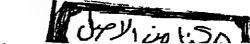
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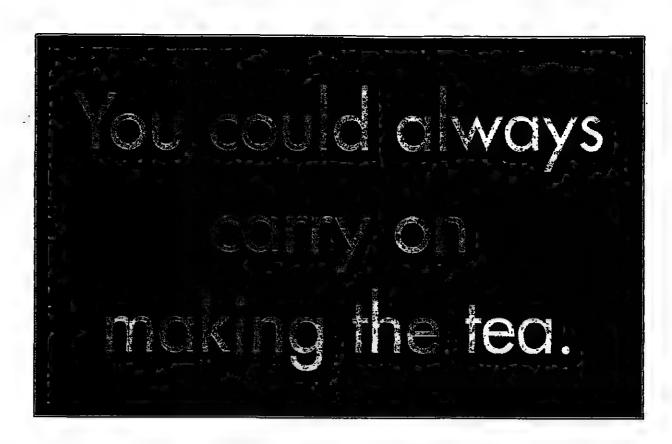
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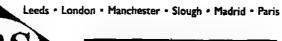
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The watchdog of the way the two professions deal with complaints is Michael Barnes, the Legal Services Ombudsman. Last week, after five years in the post, he published his final annual report. He leaves on an optimistic note. "For the first time for some years," he says, "there is now real hope that dissatisfaction with the way complaints about lawvers are

dealt with can be reduced." The OSS, launched last September under Peter Ross. is still struggling with a complaints backlog.Each of 70 case workers has 300 open files, and complaints can take months to process. But Mr Barnes praises its more userfriendly approach; it looks and sounds, he says, more like an organisation that is there to help people who have problems with their solicitors.

But he highlights two areas where the OSS must improve on the record of the ill-fated complaints bureau if it is to succeed. First, it must not find reasons why it cannot deal with a complaint. The bureau would often seize on the first indication that a complaint fell outside its terms of reference to "boot it into touch", he says. If a complaint concerned negligence (which can only be pursued in the courts) that was often cited as a reason why it could not be investigated. Yet

Frances Gibb looks at new moves to see that the legal profession polices itself properly





Barnes says that the case should be reconsidered. The

rules require the solicitors to

obtain Y's consent to act for X

and there was no suggestion

they had done so. "If a discipli-

nary body starts to counte-nance 'technical' breaches or

allows flexible interpretation

of its rules," he says, "that is a slippery slope which inevi-tably leads to a decline in

for the first time, the

Bar's new system, launched in April, al-

lows people to claim compensation for "shoddy

work" by barristers. In limited

circumstances, they may be

awarded compensation of up

to £2,000. Barristers can be

ordered to reduce, refund or waive fees. A lay Complaints

Commissioner, Michael Scott,

has been appointed to oversee

the system. But barristers will

retain immunity over work

done in court itself, as with

The new system, Mr Barnes says, is a "big step forward"

although the Bar still lags

behind the Law Society in the

role it gives lay representatives

when complaints involving

poor service are involved. The

new system should, in the

longer term, change barris-

ters' perceptions of complaints

- they are not always "bad

negligence suits.

standards."

Commissioner Michael Scott; watchdog Michael Barnes, and Peter Ross of the OSS

often complaints had other a "stronger champion" of the aspects which the bureau

could have handled. In one case, a woman complained about the solicitors handling her divorce. She criticised "lack of information about costs, incorrect advice and failure to comply with instructions". The bureau told her they could not deal with the matter until the possibility of negligence had been canvassed. Mr Barnes points out that they could well have dealt with it: the chief gripe was over costs, but the bureau failed to find out whether the firm had met the Law Society's written standards on costs. Secondly, the office must be

rulebook and take a tougher line in enforcing matters of professional conduct. There is little point in the society drawing up 700 pages of highly de-tailed guidance if the guidance complaints body is to interpret it freely, he says. In one case, solicitors took instructions from two clients on the same day to act against each other in a dispute over a debt. A week later the solicitors realised the situation and informed client Y that they could not act for him. He complained that they had acquired relevant knowledge of his firm and should not act for client X either. The bureau took no action. Mr

## TALES OF WOE

 Complaints to the Legal Services Ombudsman in 1996 totalled 1,855, 11 per cent down on 1995. The total is just under 10 per cent of the total number of complaints made to the professional bodies. Of a total of 2,273 cases

either finished, pending or awaiting a final report in 1996. 2,083 concerned complaints against solicitors. 187 barristers and three licensed conveyancers.

• The ombudsman has made 321 recommendations, of which 194 involved compensation to be paid and in 127 cases the complaint to be reconsidered. In 90 cases, no recommendation was made, but the professional bodies were

● In 1996 27 per cent of reports were issued in six months, but 59 per cent took six to 12 months and 14 per cent more than a year.

criticised

tionship with clients.

But he regrets that com-plaints will be barred over court work and urges the Bar Council to reconsider when the new system is reviewed. The Bar standards review report, under Lord Alexander of Weedon, QC, said the immunity rule was "obscure" to lay clients and would appear that "lawyers were raising technical legal defences to protect themselves by a form of special pleading".

He cautions the Bar against being too restrictive in its approach to the new powers. With both the Bar and the Law Society, critics are closely watching the way they handle complaints, one of the last areas of self-regulation. For the first time in years, there is hope of improvement. But if it turns out to be misplaced, "the pressures for a major shakeup of the system are likely to become irresistible".

## Reforms would help frightened witnesses

fundamental principle of the English law of criminal evidence is the hear-say rule which says that, subject to certain exceptions, a witness must give evidence at a trial in person. This means that a statement made before trial by a prospective witness may not be used in evidence: the witness must give evidence in person. The reason is that unless a witness is cross examined. the fact-finders will be less able to decide whether the witness is telling the truth.

The Royal Commission on Criminal Justice recommended that hearsay evidence should be more freely admitted and suggests that the Law Commission should look at the issue. Last week, after extensive consultation, we produced our report. In making our recommendations, we sought to ensure that the accused receives a fair trial, while rational-

ising and simplifying the hearsay rule.
The report makes recommendations on a range of issues including computer evidence.

expert evidence, and the circ-umstances in which a witness's evidence can be admitted at trial without the witness having to testify. This issue may arise where the witness is dead. Ill, abroad, has disappeared, or is simply too frightened to testify.

An increasing problem in the administration of justice is that many prospective witness-es are too frightened to testify or, after they have started to give evidence, to finish, but it may not be possible for the witness's evidence to be admitted in any other way.

The present law on this question is unsatisfactory. First, a statement made by a

frightened witness after the event is inadmissible if it was not made to a police officer or someone who investigates offences or charges offenders. This is a major concern in rape prosecutions because frequently the victim tells a doctor, social worker, friend or relative what happened. We recommend that if a witness is too frightened to testify then the witness's statement should, subject to the court's discretion, be admissible, whether it was made to a police officer or someone else.

Secondly, it is not clear who counts as a "frightened witness". Obviously someone threatened with physical harm counts, but what if the witness fears that his business will suffer if he gives evidence? We seek to ensure that the courts interpret the word "fear" widely, and then admit the statement, if this is in the interests of justice.

Another problem is the uncertainty over whether the "frightened witness" exception can apply where the witness does not finish giving evidence because of fear. We make it clear that in those circumstances the frightened witness exception can apply. We recommend that questions of admissibility of evidence - such as whether the statement of a frightened witness will be admitted - should be resolved at a pre-trial stage where possible.

As offshoot of the hearsay rule is the rule that the fact-finders can only consider what the witness says in the witness box, and so statements made by a witness before the trial. to the police for example, cannot be used to supplement the witness's testimony, and no evidence can be given about those previous statements. There are exceptions to the rule but they are complicated.

There is much to be said for the argument that the first statement made by, say, a rape victim, is likely to be at least as accurate as any later statement, and we had this in mind when we drew up our recommendations. A problem with the current law is that where the issue at trial is identity, the witness cannot at present refer to a previous statement which describes or identifies the attacker. Under our recommendations the original de-

scription or identification would be read to the court provided the witness states in the witness box that it was true.

Where a witness does not, and cannot reasonably be expected to, remember the matter well enough to be able to give oral evidence about it, the witness cannot at present rely on the previous statement. This makes giving evidence a memory test. We propose that the witness will be able to rely on the previous statement, provided that when it was made the witness believed it to be true and the facts were fresh in his or her memory

BY STEPHEN SILBER, QC

The proposals apply to both prosecution and defence witnesses. To ensure a fair trial, we recommend extra safeguards for the party against whom evidence is given: a party would have the right to attack the truthfulness of an absent witness as if the witness had testified in person: the judge would warn the jury about the weaknesses of hearsay evidence; and there would have to be an acquittal if the case against the accused depended wholly or partly on hearsay evidence which was so unconvincing that, considering its importance to the case, a conviction would be unsafe. These safeguards come on top of the the existing discretion a court has to exclude prosecution evidence

if it would be unfair to admit it. All in all, we believe the reforms would bring the hearsay rule up to date. We also believe that they would be of value to frightened witnesses as well as to victims of sexual offences, because they would abolish many of the technicalities which prevent a witness's full evidence being heard and appraised.

● Evidence in Criminal Proceedings: Hearsay and Related Topics (1997, Law Commission No. 245. available from The Stationery Office (£18.20) and at http://www.gtnet.gov.uk/lewocmm/homepage.htm

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#### More dirty tricks

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THE contest for the Law Society presidency looks like matching the last one for dirty tricks and mud-slinging. The big question at the society's Chancery Lane headquarters is: who leaked the document showing that the Phillip Sycamore camp canvassed the idea of using inquiry agents to "gather information", such as whether Martin Mears and his team had practising certificates?

It is all highly embarrassing for the society staff. A spokes-man says: "We had been hoping for a quiet campaign. All I can say is that we do not condone dirty tricks."

And debate still rages over who exactly comprise "the old guard" - the group everyone claiming to lead the society disowns. If length of service has anything to do with it, a study of the current candidates shows that the Mears team (Mears, David Keating, David Savage) notches up 20 years on the council and the Sycamore-Michael Mathews-Robert Sayer team notches up WRAGGE & Co of Birming

City joy? FIRST REACTION in the City

is "good news " because it will force the silent majority of City lawyers to turn out to vote. William King, outgoing Master of the City of London Solicitors' Company and a Macfarlanes partner, approves both the recent indemnity fund increase (see page 39) and the Mears candidacy.

He says: "Both invite the profession to take notice. Both will ensure that the City does not stand idly by any longer." He urges City solicitors to vote. The point is not the management of the indemnity

fund." he says, "but the management of law firms that pile up the claims, which leads to increased premiums. The profession must address those who cut corners, don't recognise problems or issues, or simply mismanage their workloads."

Wise heads

by embarking on an advertising campaign that highlights the potentially huge costs of litigation. Clearly conto Mears's candidacy is that it fident that its 17-partner litigation department is a cut above the rest, the firm is running ads that boast: "The energy

and enthusiasm most firms will offer you is of little benefit without a clear sense of purpose and direction." The ads feature cartoons depicting what can go wrong if you pick the wrong lawyer. They show headless chickens running around an office with the caption: Tim began to

entered the lawyer's office." I'I' manners

fear the worst the moment he

CONTEXT, the electronic legal publisher, is fed up with the "can't learn, won't learn" attitude of many lawyers to

Michelle Green of Context told Legal Technology Insider magazine: "I mean senior members of the Bar shouting and swearing at staff." Often, the fault lies with the ham has courted controversy user's hardware, but because

few lawyers, especially barristers, are prepared to learn about IT, they blame the last application they were using. Time, Ms Green says, for the Bar Council and Law Society to introduce IT foundation courses. Perhaps they should

 Bindmans, the London civil rights firm, now has an office in east Devon. Charlie Hopkins, the leading environmental lawer, has left Leigh Day 8 Co to become a consultant at Bindmans as a telecottager one who uses fax machines and e-mail to work from home, in his case, just outside

also teach basic manners.

Bejeaned lawyers THE New York office of Brobeck Phleger & Harrison

now allows its lawyers to wear casual clothes every day. But there has been some dissension, reports partner Richard Plumbridge. "There have been," he says, "certain

partners who say it is the end of Western civilisation as we The lawyers can wear "business casual" clothes on every day except Friday when, shock

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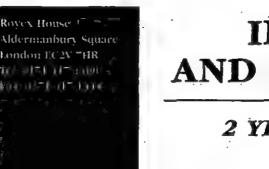
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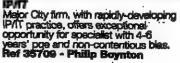
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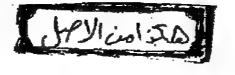




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Opposing views of the crisis at the Law Society over paying insurance against negligence — by two challengers for this year's presidency

## Forced to fork out to subsidise the few

hen I was President of the Law Society, I was constantly at loggerheads with the Solicitors' Indemnity Fund. Indeed, its chairman complained publicly that "Mr Mears has a thing about SIF". He was right. I do. And with reason.

SIF has just announced that it has underestimated claims liabilities for past years to the tune of £458 million. To find this vast sum, the Law Society Council has been told it should increase premiums by 80 per cent. At this rate, a firm with a bad claims record and gross fees of, say, £1.5 million, would see its annual premium in-creased from £115,248 to £207,462. Even with a "standard" record, the same firm would pay £103,731 instead of its previous £57,624.

Who (if anyone) should be held responsible for new burdens that will be enough to put some firms out of business?

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Tony Girling, the President of the Law Society, has said: The profession must look at the more in its own eye." This, it seems, is to be the orthodox response. We are all guilty: with the exception of SIF itself since, we are told, underwriting is not an exact science.

This much is true. But are there good underwriters and bad underwriters? A good underwriter calculates risks accurately and makes money for his company. A bad one is liable to put his company into liquidation. Even SIF accepts there were black claims clouds on the horizon and that these should have been noticed earlier than they were.

SIF, of course, is a mutual fund that provides professional indemnity cover for all law firms. The cover is compulsory and solicitors cannot seek

insurance elsewhere. How, in fact, has SIF operated? While I was Law Society President, I received a stream of complaints. Thin cats like the criminal lawyers asked why they should be paying heavy contributions when their work was virtually riskfree. Fat cats like the large city firms pointed out they could get the SIF level of cover for less than half the premiums.

It seemed an odd kind of mutual fund that satisfied none of its members. But wait! There were indeed beneficiaries. If it had not been for the conveyancing and related claims that have emerged over the past ten years, there would be no shortfall.

The mutual fund, in short, has not been working mutually at all. The majority of its members find themselves in a club where they are compelled to subsidise the subscriptions and bar bills of

the minority. It is not only The indemnity conveyancing that is subsidised. We learn, insure cut-price for instance, that 450 firms attract conveyancing' the 100 per cent claims loading. These few firms

have cost the fund some 10.5 bad they could not obtain times more than they have insurance elsewhere. Neither paid in. These are the firms with the mote in their eye. They should be contrasted with the 3,033 practices which qualify for the maximum no claims discount and which will shun the "We Are Ali Guilty" thesis.

Where do we go from here?



Martin Mears: "Why do we need a compulsory fund?"

fund, it has to be a fund that is seen by the majority of its members to be operating fairly. This means premiums need to be calculated and apportioned in a far more sophisticated manner.

Why should the fund be compulsory? To this question one hears some extraordinary answers. The first is that if

membership were not mandafund should not tory, no one would join the club. The second is that it provides a haven for firms whose claims records are so

> deserves a reply. What is to be done? If the main problem is conveyancing claims, it is wrong to think that these emerge only from a few incompetents or bad eggs. They are generated by 4,650 practices and last year they

cost SIF £140 million. SIF could simply raise con-

veyancing firms' premiums. But that would put some firms out of business and induce others to go even further down the fool's road of price-cutting.

Better remedies must be found. One would be based on recognising that if firms are forced to undertake conveyancing at uneconomic rates, they are likely to cut corners. There are two possible solutions. The first I urged consistently during my presidency: SIF should not insure cut-price conveyancing. If that is said to be protectionist, then conveyancing should be insured on a premium-pertransaction basis. That would enable conveyancers to gauge the real cost of the job and adjust their fees accordingly.

Both these solutions would address the central problem. the financial instability of so many high street firms. Both were rubbished in the past and, no doubt, they will be rubbished again. But I have yet to hear any alternatives.

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to find a clear way forward. My priority is to reassure our clients that there will be no weakening of our profession's commitment to meet fair claims with fair settlements. I assure the many people whom solicitors serve that our fund is strong and will continue to meet proper claims payments. Claims arise only in a tiny minority of the huge number of cases and transactions in which we advise our clients.

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Fairness is the watchword. I am determined that we shall find the fairest means to meet the drastic call we face to top up the indemnity fund and meet the greatly increased forecasts of ultimate claims liabilities. Fairness also demands that

there is an independent inquiry into the causes of the need for the sudden hike. Whatever arrangements we make for the future, every solicitor wants to know why we are faced with this situation, and every solicitor wants a guarantee that this will not happen again. But an independent inquiry is needed, not a witch-hunt. It is easy in the face of such a crisis of confidence to attack and to blame. What is really important is to learn from the crisis and to restore fairness.

The Law Society must explore the fairest way of allocating the catch-up across the profession. The shortfall occurred in past years - before I was in office and

before many curwere in practice. We must not rush to judgment on the right way to raise the shortfall fairly. There would

be many anomaapplied in allocating the short- ing any shortfall in 1997-98. fall. Let me give one example. The system of no claims bonuses and claims loadings works only when claims are paid (not when they arise). For those firms that have learnt from past mistakes, claims may require payment long after the firms have imple-



Phillip Sycamore: "My priority is to reassure clients"

measures. There would be a double retrospective penalty if the shortfall was collected on the existing basis. This would not be fair.

The starting point for us all must be to face up to the actuaries' advice on what should be collected for 1997-98. We must not allow ourselves to repeat the mis-

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the crisis' ness. The problem will not go away but I urge present rules were the council not to start collect-There is a steep enough increase to collect the right level for this period. The council must do much more work to

ing the shortfall. Abolishing and attacking the Solicitors' Indenmity Fund as a kneejerk reaction is no mented claims prevention answer. SIF did not create the

find the lairest way of collect-

claims. Commercial insurers would need to collect just as much - plus their profit on top. Enough damage has al-ready been done to high street solicitors' firms by the convey-ancing market. There is a real danger that the insurance market could drive them out of husiness.

Michael Mathews, Robert Sayer and I will look into drawing up a new deal for all firms, large and small, and finding new ways to cover conveyancing. We are holding a seminar on July II in London to which we have invited all solicitors, so they can hear independent experts and contribute their own ideas.

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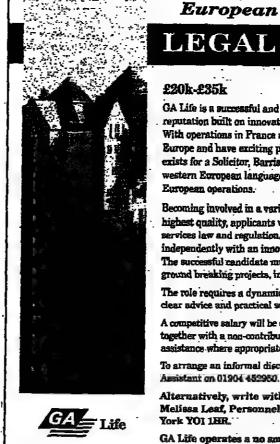
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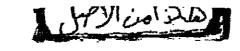
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Upon the true construction of the Investors Compensation Scheme claim form, and in particular section 3(b), all claims for damages and compensation had been validly assigned to the ICS and such claims could not be maintained by the investors in their actions but could be validly maintained by the

The investors retained the right to claim rescission of their mortgages upon such terms as the court might consider just, as such a right was unassignable as a chose in

The House of Lords so held in allowing an appeal by the ICS against a decision of the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Leggatt, Lord Justice Swinton Thomas and Lord Justice Mummery) (The Times November 8, 1996) which concurred in the result, although on different grounds, of a decision by Mr Justice Evans-Lombe (The preliminary issue that the rights of preminary issue that the rights of action of the Alford and Armitage investors against the West Bromwich Building Society (WBBS) had not been validly assigned to the ICS.

Section 3(b) of the claim form provides: "ICS agrees that the following claims shall not be treated as a Third Party Claim' ... for the purpose of this agreement and the benefits of such claim shall enure to you absolutely: Any claim (whether sounding in rescission for undue influence or otherwise) that you have or may have against [WBBS] in which you claim an would otherwise have to repay to

the society in respect of sums borrowed by you from that society in connection with the transaction and dealings giving rise to the claim..."

Section b provided: "I/we hereby assign absolutely to ICS each and every Third Party Claim and the

Mr Geoffrey Voss, QC. Mr Denis Brock, solicitor, and Mr Guy Morpus for the ICS; Mr David Oliver, QC, Mr Andrew Hochhauser, QC and Mr Vernon Flynn for WBBS; Mr Jonathan Sumption, QC and Mr Mark Cannon for Hopkins & Sons, representative of some defendant solicitors and for other defendant solicitors: Mr Nicholas Strauss. OC and Mr Neil Kitchener for the Alford plaintiffs; Mr Nicholas

Strauss, QC and Mr Neil Kitch-

ener for the Armitage plaintiffs.

LORD HOFFMANN said that the claims arose from home owners, mainly elderly retired people, who had been advised by financial advisers to enter into schemes whereby they mortgaged their homes to secure advances at they mainly invested in equity linked bonds. The subsequent fall in equities and house prices and the rise in interest rates had caused the owners severe losses.

The investors had claims against the financial advisers as well as possible claims against the build-ing societies and the solicitors who had acted in connection with the

The investors claimed compensation from the ICS by completing the claim form, which the ICS met in part.

ICS commenced proceedings against WBBS and a large number of firms of solicitors who had acted for investors. A number of investors known as the Alford plaintiffs and the Armitage plaintiffs had also commenced separate proceedings against WBBS for rescission

Mr Justice Evans-Lombe therefore directed preliminary issues on the question of whether ICS or the rivestors had the title to sue WBBS

for damages. On the construction of section 3(b) of the claim form Mr Justice Evans-Lombe had focused on the words "any claim (whether sounding in rescission for undue influence or otherwise) that you have ... against the ... society in which

you claim an abatement of sums which you would otherwise have to repay to the society. . . " According to ordinary rules of syntax "any cloim" was the antecedent of "that you have" and the words "or otherwise" in the adject

not limit the breadth of any claim". It followed that claims of any description were reserved as long as they amounted to claims for an "abatement" of what was. owing to the society.

There were various ways in

which the amount owing might be abated but one would be on account of a set-off against the society's liability for damages. thus the syntax of the words follo "any claim" pointed to a wide meaning of "abatement" which included the effect of cross-claims. The judge then turned to the background against which the language in the claim form had been used. Two features seemed to him to be odd. First the building society and the solicitors were the only solvent parties against which the investors were likely to have

any claim and the building soci-

eties would certainly be the prime One might expect that ICS having paid compensation to the investor would take over his claim against the building society. If not, the investor might be over-comseemed to assume that ICS would do the suing and account to the

excess of compensation paid. But there was no provision for the investor having to pay anything

Second, the parenthesis seemed very strange against the background of the law. If it was exhaustive, why was "sounding in singled out? What about rescission on other grounds or claims for breach of statutory or common law duty? It was rather like providing in a lease of a flat that a tenant should not keep "any pets (whether neutered Persian cats or otherwise)". Something seemed to have

The judge therefore concluded that the wider construction of "any claim" and "abatement" led to a ridiculous commercial result which the parties to the claim forms were quite unlikely to have intended and that it was clear that "the drafting of the second paragraph of section 3(b) was mis-taken".

He concluded that the meaning intended by the parties was that the investor should retain any claim for an abatement of his debt which arose out of a claim rescission whether for undue in-

fluence or otherwise. in the Court of Appeal, Lord Justice Leggatt said that the judge's interpretation was "not an available meaning of the words". "Any claim (whether sounding in rescission for undue influence or otherwise)" could not mean "Any claim sounding in rescission (whether for undue influence or otherwise)" and that was that. He was unimpressed by the alleged commercial nonsense of the alter-

native construction.

His Lordship preferred the approach of the judge. He did not think that the fundamental change which had overtaken the principles by which contactual documents were nowadays construed. particularly as a result of the

Prenn v Simmonds ([1971] I WLR 1381, 1384-1386) and Reardon Smith Line Ltd v Yngvar Hansen-Tangen (1976) 1 WLR 989) were always sufficiently appreciated.

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The result had been (subject to the important exception of excluding from the admissible background the previous negotiations of the parties and their declara-tions of subjective intent) to assimilate the way in which such documents were interpreted by judges to the common sense principles by which any serious utterance would be interpreted in ordinary life.

If one applied that approach, it seemed the judge had to be right. His Lordship, however, added four points supplemental to those

First, the claim form was obviously intended to be read by lawyers and the explanatory note, which was a model of clarity, by laymen. It was the terms of the claim form which governed the legal relationship between the

But in construing the form one should start with the assumption that a layman who read explanatory note and did not venture into the claim form itself was being given an accurate account of the effect of the

It was therefore significant that paragraph 4 of the note said categorically and without qualification that the investor gave up all his rights against anyone else and transferred them to ICS. If the effect was that the investor retained his claim against the building society, paragraph 4 of the note was very misleading. Second, that led to the conchi-

sion that section 3(b) was intended only to deal with the possibility that a lawyer might argue that some right was a "claim" when it would not be regarded as a claim reduction of the mortgage debt as part of the equitable taking of accounts upon rescission, which would not result in the investor having to pay less to WBBS.

Third, any lawyer would think it extremely odd for ICS to take an assignment of the investor's claim for damages against the solicitors and leave the investor with a claim for the same damages against WBBS. He would be likely to wonder whether that was concep-tually possible and his doubts would be well founded. The investor and ICS could not between them recover more than the loss which the investor had actually

Fourth, no lawyer in his right mind who intended simply to say that all claims against WBBS were have used the parenthesis.

Nor, unless he intended to limit

the reservation to the amount, if any, which happened to be outstanding on the mortgage would he have described them as claims "In which you claim an abatement of the sums which you would otherwise have to repay". The next question was whether given the reservation of rights in section 3(b) the assignment of claims to compensation and dam-ages against WBBS was valid. The judge and the Court of Appeal

damental problem was that one could assign a chose in action but not a particular remedy by which the chose in action was enforced. However, it was important to notice that a claim to rescission was a right of action but could in no way be described as a chose in action or part of a chose in action It was a claim to be relieved of a

thought they were not. Mr Justice Evans-Lombe said that the fun-

mortgage and such a claim could be made only by the owner of the

his property because it would make no sense to acquire a right to have someone else's property relieved of a mortgage.

Likewise the possibility of an abatement of the debt as part of the process of rescission was not a chose in action which could be assigned. It was simply part of the process of rescission which was a right attached to the ownership of

the house itself.

It could therefore be seen that in reserving to the investor any claim to an abatement of the mortgage dent consequent upon rescission, section 3(b) was not cutting down the scope of the chose in action which had been assigned to ICS. The possibility of an aboremen could never have formed part of that chose in action and could never have been assigned separately from the house itself.

As the instant case showed, a right of action such as a claim for rescission of a mortgage might be unassignable as a chose in action, but there was no reason why the parties could not agree that the investor was to be accountable to ICS for all or part of the improvement in his financial position as a result of exercising his right to

The words "the benefits of such claim shall enure to you absolutely" in section 3(b) showed that the draftsman's concern was with accountability for benefits. He wanted to make it clear that the nvestor would not be accountable for benefits derived from a claim for rescission.

But the language he used re-ferred to the extent of the assign-ment for which purpose the exception in section 3(b) was unnecessary. Hence all the litiga-tion; if you said something which was unnecessary people suspected that you had to mean something

mortgaged property.

The owner could not assign a right to rescission separately from which section 3(b) was not and

could not be and that was a reservation of a remedy which would ordinarily form part of a

chose in action assigned to ICS. It was of course true that there were other links between the claim for damages and the claim for rescission. The facts giving rise to liability would have a great deal in common so that if both claims were being made, by ICS in the one

case and the investor in the other, it

would be sensible to try both cases

together. In addition the damages recoverable by ICS as assignee might be affected by whether or not the mortgage had been rescinded. If there had been no rescission the damages might be calculated on the basis that the transaction had involved the investor in liability to pay a high rate of interest. If there had been rescission the damages would be on the footing that the investor had

only had to pay a reasonable rate. The fact that the exercise by the investor of a right to rescission might affect the quantum of the damages recoverable by virtue of the assignment to ICS did not. however, mean that the investor had attempted to assign different remedies in respect of the same

What was assigned was the right to damages, whatever the quan-tum might be. It was not unusual for the quantum of damages to be affected by other proceedings which the person Injured might bring, whether against a person liable for damages or someone

Lord Goff, Lord Hope and Lord Clyde agreed and Lord Lloyd delivered a judgment dissenting on the construction of section 3(b) of the claim form.

Solicitors: Clifford Chance: Eversheds, Birmingham; Reynolds Porter Chamberlain: Barnett Sampson: J. Keith Park & Co. St

## Council must disclose structural defects

Payne and Another v Barnet London Borough Council Before Lord Justice Brooke and Lord Justice Waller

[Judgment May 22] A local authority landlord serving notice of purchase price on a tenant wishing to exercise his right to buy was obliged to give notice, among other things, of any relevant structural defect known to it.

But for the requirements in the Housing Act 1985, the ordinary principles of cirvest emptor applied. The court would not intervene to impose wider obligations of disclosure

A tenant therefore was obliged to itor's inquiries and searches or by commissioning a survey, about the condition of the premises he was to The Court of Appeal so stated in

a reserved judgment when allowing an appeal for other reasons by Cary Payne against an order of Miss Marion Simmons, QC, sitting as an assistant recorder in Willesden County Court on May 3, damages against Barnet Borough Council as not properly arguable. Debra Woodland, his ex-wile, was joined as second plaintiff with the

In 1988 the Paynes served notice on the council to exercise a right to buy their flat and the council served notice of the purchase price pursuant to section 125 of the Housing Act. They subsequently

They disputed whether the council had fulfilled its duty under section 125(4A) of the Housing Act 1985, as inserted by section 24 of the Housing and Planning Act 1986, to tell them of structural

Mr Roger Henderson, QC and Mr Martin Seaward for the appellants; Mr Andrew Arden, QC and Mr Jonathan Manning for the

LORD JUSTICE BROOKE, giving the judgment of the court, said that in the statutory scheme Parllament had imposed certain obligations which the landlord had to perform if a tenant served a notice requiring him to grant a 125year lease at a low rent of the property he occupied.

But for those starutory require ments, the ordinary principles of caveat emptor would apply, and it would be the obligation of the tenant to satisfy himself, whether by his solicitors' inquiries and own survey, about the condition of the premises he was to acquire.

It was quite clear that as the scheme evolved Parliament decided to impose on the landlord a greater obligation than would therwise have existed to tell the tenant in advance about four matters: normal service charges,

improvements, ordinary external repairs and structural defects. It was clear that the tenant was to receive advance notice of his likely liability during the reference period in relation to his Hability to

make good such defects known to The parliamentary history

showed that section 125(4A) originated from a mere drafting Although the new section un-

doubtedly had the effect of imposing on the landlord an unqualified obligation to give notice of any relevant structural defect known to recover from the tenant any part of the cost of putting it right, it was hard to discern a change in the normal relationship between the parties prior to the grant of a long

It was also clear in their Lordships' judgment that the courts should not import into the statuof care which did not previously exist in the present context.

The relationship between landlord and tenant or between vendor and purchaser of a long leasehold interest had never been treated as giving rise to the kind of special relationship discussed in the dustries plc v Dickman (1990) 2 AC 605): White v Jones (1995) 2 AC 207): Spring v Guardian Assur-ance plc (1995) 2 AC 296).

It was not appropriate for the courts to intervene in a delicately constructed statutory scheme by imposing new obligations where none previously existed.

In X (Minors) v Bedfordshire County Council (1995) 2 AC 633) Lord Browne-Wilkinson had emphasised that the answer to any

question as to whether a common law duty existed, and if so what as its amblt, must be profoundly influenced by the statutory framework within which the acts complained of were done, and the present case was, in their Lord-

ships' judgment, an excellent example of what he had in mind. In Blake v Barking and Dagenham LBC ([1996] EGCS 145) Mr Justice Douglas Brown had held that it was not just or reasonable to impose a duty of care on a local authority in connection with its statement of its opinion as to price in a section 125 notice. That was another good example of the court's reluctance to upset the balance of the relationships created by the new statutory scheme.

Parliament had required a landlord to tell a tenant of any structural defects, meaning defects affecting the structure which required making good as opposed to ordinary items of repair or

The purposes of sections 125A to 125C of the 1985 Act, as inserted by enable the tenant to Identify his maximum potential liability for the charges or contributions mentioned in those sections, neither more nor less. There was no wider tion of disclosure. The tenant like any other purchaser of an interest in land, had to carry out own searches and inquiries in the usuai way.

Solicitors: Hodge Jones & Allen. Camden Town: Mr Graeme Creer,

## **Enforcing restraint of trade covenants**

Another v D'Alphen and Others

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Evans and Lord Justice

(Judgment May 22)

The categories of cases in which covenants in restraint of trade were enforceable were neither rigid nor exclusive.

Such covenants were enforceable when the covenantee had a legitimate interest of whatever kind to protect and when they were no wider than was necessary to protect that interest.

The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments, inter alia, dismissing an appeal by three defendants, Frederic De Braconier D'Alphen, Patrick John-Pierre Johnston and Sally Ann Parkman. experienced managers in the European bond-broking business, from the judgment of Mr Justice Robert Walker (The Times February 24) holding that contractual anti-competition and anti-solicitation covenants given by the defendants to the plaintiffs, Dawnay Day & Co Ltd, a company carrying on a joint venture with the defendants, and

subsidiary of it, were enforceable. Mr Patrick Elias, QC and Mr Andrew Clarke, QC, for the defendants; Mr Anthony Grabiner, QC and Mr Richard Hill for the

Dawnay Day & Co Ltd and and Dawnay Day Securities Ltd.

employment ended. Wilcourt Investments Ltd, a

plaintiffs; the other defendants, Cantor Fitzgerald International

The defendants' submission was

LORD JUSTICE EVANS said that the plaintiffs were investment bankers. In 1992 the defendants had left their former employers, Euro Suisse Securities Ltd, to establish a new joint venture business with the plaintiffs.

That venture involved the creation of a jointly owned company, Dawnay Day Securities Ltd (DDS), by whom the defendants were employed and of which they became directors. They had now moved on from DDS to the fourth defendants. Cantor Fitzgerald International.

In November 1996 they gave three months notice to terminate their employment with DDS.

The plaintiffs issued the proceedings claiming to enforce, inter alia, contractual undertakings by the defendants contained in clause 9 of the 1992 joint venture agreement not to compete with the siness of DDS, not to solicit business from the customers of DDS and not to solicit or entire away member of the staff of DDS. for the period of one year from February 1997, the date when their

The defendants contended that the undertakings were void and unenforceable against them as being an unlawful restraint of

The first and principal issue was whether the plaintiffs were able to

mid-1995 and before that had spent

long periods with them because there had been concerns about the

mother's parenting ability. The

grandparents had started custody proceedings in Germany, obtain-

parents should have full custodial

rights, nevertheless, on the facts,

petition and solicitation of

that the plaintiffs had no legitimate or lawful interest in enforcing the covenants in the circumstance: the plaintiffs, it was said, were no more than investors in and creditors of the business which was owned and carried on by DDS.

Did a joint-venturer, who was not a partner, have a sufficient interest to be permitted to enforce anti-competition and anti-solicitation covenants against his fellow joint venturer, when the business was to be developed and carried on by a jointly owned company?

It was not the law that such

covenants could never be upheld outside the established categories of vendor/purchaser of a business and master/servant cases. The House of Lords so held in

Esso Petroleum Co Ltd v Harper's

Garage (Stourport) Ltd (1968) AC Far from confining the circumstances in which covenants in to certain categories of case, and defining those categories strictly. the courts had moved in the

opposite direction. The established categories were not rigid and they were not

Rather the covenant could be enforced when the covenance had kind, to protect, and when the covenant was no wider than was

necessary to protect that interest.

The fact, therefore, that the ers of a business from the defendants nor their employers, did not mean the covenants could not be enforced.

The judge, rejecting the defen-dants' submission that the plaintills could not establish an interest which the law protected, had concluded that the plaintiffs "did have a sufficient legitimate interest of a proprietary nature to entitle them to seek protection in the form of restrictive covenants".

Neither the judge's approach nor his conclusion could be faulted. When the agreement was entered into, the joint venture company had not yel been formed. Each party depended on the other's proposed contribution for the development of the business which they had set out jointly to

The agreement gave the plainriffs a clear commercial interest in safeguarding themselves against

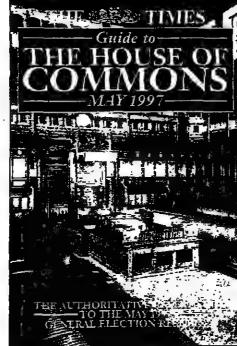
individually or collectively, for the Moreover, the judge was correct to describe the plaintiffs' interest as an interest "of a proprietary nature" entitled to protection, where and to the extent that protection was reasonably necessary: see Chitty on Contracts (27th edition (1994) volume I, paragraph 16-075).

Solicitors: Olswang, Paddington; Hobson Audley Hopkins &

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#### Acquiring custody rights In re O (a Minor) (Child abduction: Custody rights)

Before Mr Justice Cazalet Judgment March 5

The exercise of full parental responsibilities over a substantial period of time could give rise to joint rights of custody within the terms of article 3 of the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction 1980 (Cmnd 828) even though there was no agreement or court

Furthermore, under the inherent jurisdiction the court had discretion to order the summary return of a child to its habitual country of residence if satisfied that it was in the welfare and best interests of that child for further investigations to be made there.

Mr Justice Cazalet so held in the Family Division in a reserved judgment in chambers, reported with leave, when ordering the summary return of a child under article 3 of the 1980 Convention, set out in Schedule 1 to the Child Abduction and Custody Act 1985, and under the inherent jurisdiction of the court, following wrongful removal in breach of rights of Mr Henry Setright for the

applicant grandparents; Mr Paul Hollow for the defendant mother and partner.

MR JUSTICE CAZALET said that the use of the word "may" in the last paragraph of article 3 of the 1980 Convention meant that rights of custody were not solely confined to the specific situations set out in article 3 but that the court could step beyond them, as it had done in In re B (a Minor) (Abduction) (1994) 2 FLR 249).

in that case Lord Justice Waite had said that the test to be apolied by the courts of the requested state in establishing joint rights of custody was whether, on the facts of each case, the individual concerned was exercising functions of a parental or custodial feature without the benefit of any official custodial status and that it was for the court to determine whether those functions fell to be regarded as "rights of custody" within the

terms of the 1980 Convention. Here, the child had been born it Germany in 1992 and had lived there all her life until brought to England by the German mother and her current partner, who was English, in December 1996.

She had in fact been living with

ing an interim custody order there shortly after the child had been brought to England. " Although it was not possible to conclude from the facts that an agreement had been reached between the parties that the grand-

they had clearly established joint rights of custody within Lord Justice Walte's definition. Furthermore, under the inherent Jurisdiction, the court had a discretion to order the summary return of a child to the country of habitual residence if satisfied that it would be in child's best interests for further welfare investigations

to take place in that country. Here the connections with Germany were so overwhelming it was clearly appropriate for her to be returned there forthwith for an expedited hearing to determine her

ong-term future. Solicitors: Reynolds Porter Chamberlain; Roger Terrell & Co,

## **Enforcing part of contract**

Marshall v NM Financial Management Ltd Before Lord Justice Butler-Sloss. Lord Justice Millett and Lord

Justice Thorpe (Judgment March 13) A party who had been freed from an invalid restraint of trade in an employment contract could en-force the remainder of the contract provided that the invalid element had not constituted the real or main consideration for the

contract

The Court of Appeal so held in dismissing an appeal by the plain-tiff, NM Financial Management, against a decision of Mr Jonathan Sumption, QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the Chancery Division, (1995) I WLR 1461) that the defendant, Anthony Arthur Mar-shall, was entitled to renewal commission under his contract of employment even though a pro-viso to the payment of such

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straint of trade. Mr Andrew Lenon for the plaintiff; Mr David Garland for the

LORD JUSTICE MILLETT said that the test had been variously described in the cases. The contract would be upheld unless the invalid restraint formed the real or main consideration or "the whole or substantially the whole consideration" for the promise: per Lord Justice Denning in Bennett v Bennett ([1952] ) KB 249, 261).

It was doubtful whether there was any real difference between those different formulations so long as it was recognised (i) that the avoidance of the contract was not limited to the case where the only consideration for the promise apart form the invalid restraint was a technical or nominal consideration and (ii) that the court did not attempt to assess the relative values of the various considerations for the promise. His Lordship preferred the

formulation expressed by Lord Justice Denning since it appeared to put the point of balance in the right place.

The contract would be upheld even if the consideration for the promise included an invalid restraint. It would be struck down in its entirety only if in substance and regardless of its form it was an agreement for an invalid restraint.

The question was one of substance not form. The substance of a contract was to be ascertained from its words and the parties were at liberty to allocate different considerations to different promises. The structure and language of the contract were therefore of prime importance. That was so provided that the parties did not attempt to disguise their true intentions by artificial stratagems.

Lord Justice Butler-Sloss and Lord Justice Thorpe agreed. Solicitors: Taylor Joynson Garren; Sweetlands, Dorking.

Lord Justice Nourse and Lord Justice Ward agreed.

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CHANGING TIMES

## Tests on Entrepreneur prove negative

By Our Racing Staff

MICHAEL STOUTE announced yesterday that tests carried out on Entrepreneur after his failure in the Derby proved negative, although the beaten favourite had returned from Epsom with a right-side hamstring strain.

Confirming that Entrepreneur would miss the Budweiser Irish Derby on Sunday, Stoute said: "Intensive physiotherapy enabled him to resume cantering on June 17, but a weekend gallop determined that he would not be at peak fitness for the Curragh. When his owners and I have decided on his next tomorrow morning after she

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intended race, an announcement will be made."

Stoute certainly has a variety of options for the son of Sadler's Wells. He holds an engagement in the Coral-Eclipse Stakes over ten furlongs and another, over six furlongs, in the Darley July Cup at Newmarket.

In the absence of Entrepreneur at the Curragh, his partowner, Michael Tabor, should supplement his Irish 1,000 Guineas runner-up, Strawberry Roan, trained in Ireland by Aidan O'Brien.

A spokesman for O'Brien's Ballydoyle yard said yester-day: A decision will be made

Windsor Castle.

has done a bit of work. She is ver Patriarch at Epsom, is to very well and if she is supple run in the Prix Eugene Adam mented we are hopeful the at Saint-Cloud on July 15. The weekend's other big race, the £100,000-added longer trip will suit her."

Another possible supple mentary entry is the Oaks winner, Reams Of Verse, trained by Henry Cecil. A decision on whether she will be added to the field will be made this morning.

If Cecil declines to run the Nureyev filly, the British challenge could be confined to Silver Patriarch, the shorthead second to Benny The Dip at Epsom, and the Derby fifth, The Fly, trained by Barry Hills. Benny The Dip tackles the Eclipse Stakes, while Romanov, one place behind Sil-

THE Newcestle Brown Ale Northumberland Plate offers an

The Generous polt would have content on last week's succe in the group three Queen's vess at hour record, but appear

has had more than his share of problems but is very well handicapped as a result. Now in the case of amanda harren.

he appeared to be returning to his best when winning at ...

Goodwood 12 days ago, doing well to lead close house having been held up in a slawly run race. Jlamy Quinn, the useful lightweight, has already been booked and TRANSOM.

looks one of the bets of the season at 14-1 with Coral and

excellent chance to secure some ante-post value, with

doubts surrounding the participation of the favourite.

chance is no exception.

Transom, who showed progressive families a film

to talk to the owner," Dunlop said yesterday. "He is fine after the Gold Cup and I will be nearer a decision within the next couple of days."
Churchill Downs, the Kentucky venue which has hosted in the group time Queen's wast at Taylor record, but appeared to have a greeling race. Furthermore, be night appear well marked with List 7st 120-but his handles me appear to 104 puts this task mip perspective. He makes no appear at 41. Top Cees has been reset sith for an impressive success in the Chester Cup and always ments related in the long distance handlesias. However, the building to the party to the long distance with Lynda Ramseer's numbers and this 5-1.

three previous Breeders' Cup meetings, appears to be leading the race to stage next year's event. Tom Meeker, the track's president and chief executive, said that contracts still had to be signed but stressed that this was only a matter of time. This year's Breeders' Cup series will be held at Hollywood Park.

Newcastle Brown Ale North-

umberland Plate at New-

castle, drew 23 acceptors

yesterday. Paul Cole will delay

a decision on the participation of Windsor Castle, winner of

the Queen's Vase at Royal

Ascot, until later this week,

although trainers will also be

waiting for Ed Dunlop to

confirm Jiyush a runner.

Should Jiyush not take part,

thing until I have had a chance

"I don't want to say any-

the weights will rise by 6lb.

Yeast, trained by William Haggas, will miss the Van Geest Criterion Stakes at Newmarket on Saturday. Haggas said: "He will wait for the Prix Messidor at Deauville on July 13. I am happier with the horses than I have been. but we are still easing them



Top Cees, the impressive Chester Cup winner, seeks another valuable prize at Newcastle on Saturday

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

## Tote Jackpot pool set to reach £1m

THE Tote Jackpot is on course to top £1 million at Warwick this afternoon. The pool accumulated through the four days of Royal Ascot and the Ascot Heath meeting on Saturday, bringing £255,258 forward to yesterday's fixture at Nottingham.

Despite the pool almost doubling in size, it was won to only a 10p line, leaving a carry over of £453,193 to

Most Jackpot attempts yesterday were foiled by the success of Tonnerre, the 16-1 winner of the fourth leg. By the last race Moothyeb was the only rugner with the full El stake riding on him, but he was well beaten.

Rob Hartnett, the spokesman for the Tote, said: "The 10p winning line came via Tote Direct through a Tote Bookmakers shop in Walsall. The winner invested only £6.40 and has won £35,751. We are delighted that not only do we have a winner, but the bulk of the pool will go on to Warwick. "We have got to the stage where the Jackpot gets very exciting. The pool will easily exceed £750,000 and could

hit the magic million itself." Pools for the Jackpot have increased since the introduction of Tote Direct, which has enabled punters to invest their money in betting shops throughout the country. Jackpot bets are now available at Tote betting

offices, racecourses, most Coral shops and 500 of Ladbrokes 1900 outlets. William Hill remains alone among the major bookmak-

ers in not accepting Jackpot The Jackpot dividend is declared to a £1 unit, and the minimum perm unit is 10p. I not won outright, the pool (or proportion not won) is carried forward to the next

Jackpot meeting. To calculate the number of lines in a perm, multiply the number of selections in each race. Today's Warwick card sets punters a stern task, with 83 runners contesting the six races, and no obvious "banker" selections. Multiple perms will be necessary to have any realistic chance of solving racing's answer to the Lottery.

2.15: No 12 Catch The Rainbox 2.45: No 1 Sally Slade No 5 Runs in The Family. 3,15: No 8 Dancing Cavalier No 9 Golden Hadeer. 3.45: No 4 Jean Pierre 4.45; No 2 Admirals Flame No 3 O Factor.

Thunderer suggests including two Intributer suggests in a perm of 64 lines. To construct a perm, multiply, together the number of horses assected in each race.

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GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (TURF); STANDARD (ALL-WEATHER) DRAW: 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

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2.15 (1m B4yd) 1. FLABHTALIGN PLOOD
(W Ryen, 2-1 lav); 2. Cimmerian (J Weaver,
14-1); 3. Feel A Line (M Tebbut, 10-1); 4.
Prince Of Forture (N Actars, 12-1), ALSO
RAN 15-2 Ball-Pel, 9 Native Princess, 10
Battle Ground (6th), Crole Of Maric,
Macast, 14 Crosby Nod, 16 Craven HJ,
Misterfon (6th), 20 Searrus, 25 Alsadera,
Kustom KJ, Xpres, 33 Gymcrák Watermil,
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23.00; £1 10, £6 60, £2.40, £2.80, DF
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2245 (Im 54yd) 1, MITHALI (R HBis, 8-1); 2. Yebini B Sultan (L. Newton, 11-2); 3. Jornocks (Pat Eddery, 4-7 Inyl, ALSO RAN; 10 Chlor's Anchor (Sth), Kalry Goddess, 14 Desert Wernor (Sth), 20 Crompton Lights, 33 Shelser, 40 Rise Above, 66

## She's A Cracker (4th) 10 ren. 3%, 2%, 51, 1%, 2% B Hills at Lambourn. Tote: 28 60; 21,60, 21,50, 21,10, DF-219 00, Tric; 24 50, CSF B49 54 3.15 (1m 54yd) 1, LICUED GOLD (R Firench, 7-2); 2, Karakia (I, Delton, 3-1); 3, Windy Treat (D O'Donohoe, 9-4 tay), ALSO RAN-7-2, Amassa, 14 Enavas, 16 Shades of Love (4th), 50 Rockle The Jester, 65 Rambo Targo (50h), 100 Gajan (5th); 9 ran, 144, 3, 141, 41, 41 W O'Gorman at Newmarkst, Tota: 65 30: £1 80, £1 40, £1.20 DF: 25.90 Tino: £3.40, CSF; £13.37.

(16) 12.40. Cel<sup>+</sup>: 213.27.

3.46 (Im 1f 213rd) 1, TONNERRE (L. Newton, 16-1), 2, Hill Fram Blues (A Carth, 9-1), 3, Kristal Breeze (J. Reid, 7-1); 4. Bronnialion (S Drowns, 50-1) ALSO RAN-100-30 isv Tonica, 6 Forest Fernasy, Mazille (Sth.), 10 Absolutely Feyre, Zahran, 14 Cohiba, 16 Carlys Quast, Saltando, Yuppy Gel, 20 Ahroan San (Sth.), 25 Gull Ol Sarri, Kng Chashut, 16 ran NP: Supreme Masmoon 15-1, 13-1, 3, 41, 13-1, 8 McMahon

# at Terresorth. Tote: E21 00; £4.20, £3 30, £2 00; £17 40; DF: £188.20. Trio, £871.90. C8F £150.78; Inteast: £1,040.57. 4,16 £207.99.d1; BRODESSA (A McGlerm, 3-1); 2. Swan Hunter (M Returner, 5-2); 3. Rosse Of Olean (J Culan, 14-1); ALSO RAN: £-1 taw Sedbergh (6ith); 7. Longcott (6ith); 14 Listhach, 20 Alsura, Booby's Dream, Garka (4th); 50 Yo-Mate, 10 ran NR Club Bite, 41, 41, 91, Ind. 178. Mes M Revoley at Saidbarn. Tota: £4.70; £1.60. C8F; £1.07.07.

# 5.15 (St 18yd) 1, SUPERBIT (I. Newton, 12-1); 2, Aquasic Queen (R Winston, 8-1); 3, Shashi (R Lappin, 25-1); 4, Souperficial (Kim Trides, 16-1), M.SO RAN: 3-1 fav Nelše North, 8 Deerly, 10 Lachesis, 12 Any Leigh, Municipal Carl, Mustang (Sth), 14 Carreamia, General St. Peter, Marlindale, Petraco, Sweet Mate, 16 Southern Dominion (Sth), 33 Badger Bay, Best Kapt, Secret, Prominent, Super Rocky, 25 ran, 21-11, nt, 19-1, sh hd. B McMahon at Tarmworth. Total: C13.80; E2.70, C2.00, E10.80, E3.00. DF: C24.10, The E80.70 (part won, Pool of 2173.76 carried Jonnard to Warwick, 245 badsy), CSF: 2107.99, Triceac 226.82.

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GOING: GOOD TO SOFT TOTE JACKPOT MEETING draw: 5f, low numbers besi

## 2.15 RAYNSFORD NOVICE AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-0: E3,226; 71) (15 numbers)

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ĝη	(7)	9	DENTARDIA 13 (Error Maple Plan) J Eustica 8-12	_
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鴎	(2)	02	HCH JUSTICE 10 (D Albort)   Balding 8-12 L Deltori E	8
(4	(B)		HONNES CHOICE (R House) K McAulifle 8-12 J F Emm	
Ö	(15)	43	OPPOSITION LEADER 38 (BF) (5 Crown) 8 Hills 8-12 D HoBand 8	5
06	(14)	D	PERSIAN VENTURE 15 (MEX 8 BM) 8 Member 8-12 M Tebbull	
07	(13)	4	SIGNATURY 20 (Winners) Tissen) A Harson 8-9 Date D'Noti	
8	(1)	63	GRALMANO 25 (Colection Moor Recing) N Littmoden 8-5 T & McLaughten 9	4
09	(12)	81	SCAND SERIL 29 (B) (P Barrield) D Adultinol 8-8	
10	μij	90	LATH BAY 59 (Supertable) Tember) P Harris 6-5 A Clark 8	٥
17		000	OKSIN 15 (to For The Crack) Mrs P Dutheld 8-6 A Price &	
12	间	50	CATCH THE RAMBOW 28 (J S-Ostoome) J Smyth-Ostoome 8-4 . T Speake 9	1
13	(9)	6	DRY LIGHTNERG 17 (A Warrender) M Bell 8-4	3
14	(11)		LA VZELE (Mathens Racing) R Guest 6-1	-
15	(B)	45	MYSTICISM 39 (Mrs C Birtlain) C Britton 8-1 R Firench (5) W	à
Ш	NG: 5-2	Coocsilio	e Leader, 11-4 Hole Justice, 7-1 Island Girl, 10-1 Calch Tim Reinbow, Mysticesm, 12-	1
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			1996 HO CORRESPONDE TAKE	

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I	TOTIN TOOLS
	HOH JUSTICE 191 2nd of 12 to Petergs et auction maiden at Bath (51, good to term). OPPOSITION LEADER 444 3rd of 13 or Standard in auction maiden at Notingham (61, good) with CATCH THE RAMBOUW (3th better off) 291 5th, GRALMAMO 3741 3rd of 10 to 0h Hierer Agam in maiden at Workerhampfon (61, AW) ISLAND GIFL bag
	2 45 GREENACOGO CHI I HOL MANDIPAD (02 220, ED (15 minor)

201	(8)	162905	SALLY SLADE 18 (D.F.G.S) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 5-10-0 . G Duffield
202	(13)	10066)	ANTONIAS WELDOY 10 (B.G.S.) (Mrs B Georgiou) S Bowning 4-10-0 S Webster
203	(3)	236-00	ANOTHER BATCHWORTH 27 (B.D.F.G) (Mr. D Price) E Wasseld 5 9-12 A Daly (5)
ŪΨ	(6)	Ö2-040	SHIFTING TIME 15 (BF) (# Smith)   Balding 3-9-5 L Detion
756	(1)	516233	PLINS IN THE FAMILY 15 (B.C.D.G.S) (G Gresswood) G McCourt 5-9-3 D Hartson
2	(9)	00000	MAYDORO 7 (M Docts) M Docts 4-9-0
207	(4)		TYNEERA 10 (D.F.G.) (Startsmon Assocs) B Palting 4-8-8
208	n		FORZARA 51 (D.S) (Nas R Healthcole) J Spearing 4-8-7 3 Districted
:00	(12)	04-005	STOCK HILL DANCER 21 (Mrs M Fantairn) B Meeten 3-8-7 . M Tebbut
210	(51	005315	SURSET HARBOUR 12 (D.F.) (J Termant) S Kettlemot 4-8-5 R Pirench (S)
211	(10)	020-60	WHISPER LOW 178 (D Lowe) R Hollinshead 3-8-4 Lynch
212	(11)	-03020	CHEEF'S LADY 13 (G Fry) J Bodley 5-7-12
213	(13)	405-60	BREFFRE 15 (Mrs B Manchy) R Ducton 3-7-12
214	(2)	00-00	BARN ATHOLL 11 (D Philips) R Hooges 4-7-10 M Adams
215	(14)	000-30	BFRH-LOOSE 10 (B) (Mrs C Kelly) K Bridgmater 4-7-10 J Bramfell (5)
ong t	<b>Mandica</b>	y. Baim A	tel 7-9 Bre-Ledge 7-2

BETTING: 3-1 Shifting Time, 9-2 Roms in The Fathly, 5-1 Sally State 10-1 Automics Mid Transver 16-1 affects

#### 1996; SING WITH THE BAND 5-9-5 G Carter (9-2) B McMahon 9 can FORM FOCUS

NS IN THE FAMILY 241 3rd of 9 to Songsteel tonden at Folkestone 154 good to firmt on distinction and with SHEFINGT TIME (28% being 48 db) and ANOTHER BATCHWORTH (110 TEXT (28% being 48%) and Committee 3 of 5-cuprer condendance of Windows (55, good to sell) billy 96, ISET HARDOOM bour Parmore start-head in	17-runner handicap at Beverley (St. good to firm) CHEP'S LADY bend 2nd of 20 to Mester Radior at Leicacier (St. good on firm) with TMAEPAA (Bib incher stif) 2004 SH-1 10th BRIM-LODGE 7413 and of 7 to Nopolea to maxim BRIM-LODGE 7413 and of 7 to Nopolea to maxim RamBicap over course and distance (firm) with BRIM-RADIO 10th 1646 self 4541 SH Scheduler RAMS BY THE FAMILY

## 3.15 SYD MERCER MEMORIAL HANDICAP

(ZJ,	0//	11/11/04 13	94 yu) (13 (@#R#3)	
301	(1)	2003-4	SELECTLY 24 (F.S) (G Grayson) J King 5-10-0 R Pirench (5)	9
302	(8)	0-4202	PIKE CREEK 13 (F) (R Hatchers)   Balding 4-9-12 L Defind	9
303	(13)		CASUAL WATER 15 (CD.F.G.) (G Leatham) A Newconde 6-9-7	9
304	(4)	416333	PARADISE NAVY 10 (B.D.BF.F.G) (Elbe Racing) C Egerton 8-9-4 _ R Houstes	9
305	(11)		LINE STREET BLUES 31 (S) (Blues Parlaershop)   Keddy 6-9-2 M Fenton	
306	(E)	44000		8
307	(3)		SALSICA 15 (CD.F.G) (P Clinical) A Streeter 6-8-12 . T Sprake	9
300	(13)	546061	DANCING CAVALLER 6 (F.G) (Three R s) R Harlinghead 4-8-10 P Fredericks (7)	7
309	(7)	131126		ğ
310	(Z)	G-052G	SAD WAD BAD 32 (S) (P Savis) 12 Johnston 3-6-6 . W J O'Conner	9
311	(3)	30-143	COH SHO NO 10 (D,F) (H Ngs.) 5 Dow 4-8-5	9
312	(2)	534223	ROMALITO 15 (BF.F) (C Mekenta) M Blanched 7-7-10	3
313	(10)	310-51	BADAWI 15 (C.F.G.) (C. Gregory) N Babbago 7-7-10 F Harton	9
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BETTING: 7-2 Piles Creek, 5-1 Paradica Navy Golden Hadeer, 13-2 Badans, 7-1 Salvice Dationing Cavallier, 10-1

#### 1996 TOWYS GIFT 4-9-4 M PROPER (11-4) M Prop 5 cm FORM FOCUS

ntderan at Kempton (Im 41 good to firm) with an REENT SOUREZE (Ith better off), 41 70, PME 6 REEK 21 2nd of 6 to Termine in lemted stakes at semantal (Im 7), good to soft). SALSKA boat 6	JER oprent color hori-hi Islanci etter (
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J.	47	BLACK	GRAKE PLANTATION MAIDEN HANDICAP	
			15yd) (13 runners)	
401	(2)	2010-0	LAVENDER DELLA 10 (About Us) M F-Sediey 4-10-0	
417	(6)	0/50	LIGHT REFLECTIONS 36 (Miles J Carleson) P Murphy 4-8-8 S Drowns	
403	(4)	003-86	PASSING STRANGERS 32 (Mrs P Hunta) P Hunta 4-9-6 C Loweller (7)	
AU.	[6]	230352	JEAN FRENRE 22 (P Surnet) J Parce 4-9-5	
405	(H)	340-54	AZJEC PLYER 59 (R Mayadidi) C British 4-9-3	
406	മ	000-00	PERSIAN BUTTERFLY 15 (I) Hattures) A Stronge 5-9-8 D R McCabe	
407	(11)	004332	SAM ROCKETT 10 (longit Hanks) May 6 Kellengy 4-9-0 T Outre	Ì
400	(5)	<b>-8006</b> 4	ADVANCE EAST 4 (A Mont) M Oods 5-8-0	
4(9	(10)		SCHNOZZI E 29 (Wilston) Raston) K Bridgmater 6-8-12	
410	(9)		WICTOR BURN 22 (R Del Rosare) C Hergan 4-8-11 Paul Enday	ı
411	(12)		TROSA 14 (J Messy-Cotter) B Smart 3-8-9 5 Sanders	
412	(13)		WOODLAND MYMPH 6 (V) (Woodland Pine) D Mussay Smith 3-8-8 D Hamisen	J
413	(3)		IMPETUDUS LADY 22 pk Howleth W Mission 4-8-8 J Cum	1
		Sam Ro	ciall, 7-2 Juan Pierre, 7-1 Attac Piyer, Woodland Wymph, 8-1 Pessing Strang	

#### 1996: REAGARESOUE 4-8-11 S Drowne (11-2 II-law) P Morphy 11 rae ocus

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## 4.15 BAVESTON SELLING STAKES (£1.885: 1m 2f 169yd) (13 runners)

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ı	501	(7)	0000gg	BERNARD SEVEN 7 (8,F,G) (Mrs C Dods) M Dods 5-9-7 A Clark	•
l	500	(3)	0-0063	GUESSTMATION 4 (CD, BF, F, G, S) (Exclusive I us Pins) J Postce 8-8-7 L Dettori	i
١	503	间	0-5000	PRECEDENCY 6 (E Kessly) K McAulifle 5-8-7	1
	504	(8)	05-500	FLENC SYMBOL 19 (F) (O Sloan) M Stansbard 6-9-7 J Quinn	-
l	505	(5)	006/06	NABURN LOCH 10 (J Hambirson) O Hyde 7-9-2 R Hawth (3)	
١	506	(1)	/00-00	PROVE THE PORT 14 (B) (Mrs N Dutleid) Mrs P Dutleid 4-9-2 . A Price	•
	507	(2)	030-42	RISKY ROSE 25 (F,G) (M Johnson) R Hoffersheart 5-9-2 D Briffiths (3)	
	508	(10)	58	ROSALEE ROYALE 89 (1 Berry) J Berry 5-9-2 M Fention	•
	509	(11)	0/000-	WOODLANDS ENERGY 6J (Woodlands Ltd) P Princhard 6-9-2	
	310	(12)	0-0000	PUSH FICTION 6 (V.F.) (Camelot Racing) D Cosprove 3-8-8 M Figures	
	511	(13)	00000-	REAL FIRE 211 RA Saurbust M Meaning 3-8-8	
	512	(9)	66-060	VICTORY AT HART 15 (A Philips) D Monto 3-8-8	
	513	(4)	000-03	BLUEBELL MASS B (S) (P Agon) M Ryan 3-8-3	
	H-TIP	MG 9-	å Tantoshira	ation, 4-1 Ricky Rose, 5-1 Bluebell Mess, 8-1 With Fiction, 13-2 Real Foot, 8-1 (	
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#### 1996: YET AGAIN 4-9-7 M Filmmer (8-1) & Hambury 13 rbs

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GLESSTIMATION 3rd of 8 to Zorba in claimer at Redox (1m 21, good) PRECEDENCY 50 8th of 17 to Diamont Comm in selfang handlags at Hollingham (1m 21, good). RUNIC SYMBOL 81 5th of 16 to Travelnate in handlags at Notingham (1m 21, good). HISKY ROSE 31 2nd of 10 to Agos Of Glean	in seller at Catterick (1er 61, good to from) FREE 07 7th of 13 in Key Largo in auction may Pronofact (61, good) Oct 96. BILLIEBELL about 141 3rd of 5 to Maintenan in tempera as Hamilton (1m 65yd, good to sailt) Selection: GUESSTIMATION

#### 4.45 UGLY BRIDGE HANDICAP (£3,741: 1m) (14 runners) (2) 521-03 SHARP REPLIEF 27 (CD F (3) II) Miles P Makes 6, 10 o

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#### Musselburgh

Going: good to soft

2,30 (5) 1. ELLENBROOK (P Feeely, 4-9 tay); 2. Makeht Don (J Carrot, 5-1); 3. Oriol Girl (L Charnock, 4-1). ALSO RAN-68 Blue Anchor (44th, 4-n. 1 let, 3], 3. J Beny at Cockerhern Tota; £1 30. DF; £1.80. CSF; 12.77. CSF: £2.77.
3,00 (2m) 1. TRILEY (T E Duson, 3-1); 2. Hasta La Vista (G Parkin, 3-1); 3. Zamiustus (Ioire Wands, 8-1) ALSO RAN: 11-4 tay Serasota Storm (40), 5 Thunderteen (5th, 50 Fret (6th), Propellant, 7 mm. 7, 9; 4; 7, 7, G Richards at Graystote. Tols: £4.70, 71. G Richards at Graystote. Tols: £4.00; £1.90, £1.70. DF: £3.70, CSF: £10.05.

£3.70, CSF: £10.05.
3.30 (6f) 1, BLAZING BAP (M Fanton, 33-1); 2: Prince of Parkss (P Roberts, 7-2); 3, deood To Talk (J Carrell, 5-1). ALSO RAN 9-4 lav Gold Edge (5th), 6 Mystical (4th), 7 Red Romance, 8 Eston Park, 16 Superinte (6th), 30 Astra Crown, 33 Farrey Clancy, 10 an. Hd, 2, M; 3 M; 2 M. Mir J Jordan at Yarm, Tota: 559 00; £8.80, £1.80, £1.70.
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4.00 (71 30yd) 1, BLZZ (D-McGown, 15-8), 2, Jacrose N. Kernedy, 6-4 (ed.), 3, Describbe (P Feerey, 20-1), ALSO RAN-7-2, Durhern Hyer (4th), 10 Lord Of Love (8th), 60 Cosmic Cose, (8th), 6 min. 11, 144, nk, 51, 51, C Thomson at Middlehem, Tole: C1.90, 21.40, c1.10. DF 21 30 CSP; 64.67. C3-93; E1-40; C1-10; DF E1 30 CSP: EA.B7.
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#### HEHARD EVANS

#### Nap: GRACEFUL LASS (4.30 Lingfield Park) Next best: Opposition Leader (2.15 Warwick)

Thunderer continued his good recent form by selecting Anita At Dawn, a 20-1 winner at Nottingham

Plecapot: £41.50. Quadpot: £12.40.

## Newton equals

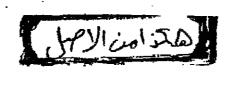
Tamworth and trainer, and jockey Lee Newton took the honours at Nottingham yesterday when combining for a 220-1 double. The pair, who had teamed up successful with The Happy Fox at Wolverhampton on Saturday night, scored with Tonnerre at 16-1 and Superbit (12-1).

the campaign, equalling his personal best, set last year. He

Winner when Liquid Gold took the second division of the Nottingham Evening Post Maiden Stakes under Royston Ffrench, a leading apprentice.

"I have only had about 10 runners this year. They haven't been right," he said.





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best total BRYAN MCMAHON, the

The latter victory gave Newton, 25, the eleventh of

has been with McMahon since being an apprentice.
"I rode 50 winners as an apprentice but when you have lost your claim you don't get any outside rides," he said. Bill O'Gorman, the Newmarket trainer, ended a period of 286 days without a



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SELECTIONS

**RUGBY UNION** 

## Free State certain to provide Lions with test of resolve

FROM DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT, IN DURBAN

THE management of the British Isles faces the hardest week of its trek round South Africa as the tour's imperatives ebb and flow. Originally, the eight days embracing games against three Super 12 provinces were viewed with the greatest suspicion, but, with the Lions winning the first international last Saturday, they must now prepare for the inevitable backlash.

That will come first in Bloemfontein today, when the Lions, under the captaincy of Nigel Redman, play Free State in a match that will be more demanding than the midweek encounter with Gauteng, Then, they must brace themselves for the onslaught in the second international, at King's Park here on Saturday, which South Africa must win to keep the series alive.

The game in Bloemfontein is like an additional test match for us," Ian McGeechan, the coach, said, "and, in the light of the events of the past couple of weeks. Free State will be very keen to put one over us." Not too much should be read into Free State's seventh

placing in the Super 12 tourna-

ment. Critics here believe Brendan Venter and Heldthem to be one of the most competitive teams in the country, though, like their peers elsewhere, they will be short of their international players.

Os du Randt and Naka Drotske, from the front row. Andre Venter, from the back row, and Werner Swanepoel. the reserve scrum half, are with the South Africa squad that arrived in Durban last night, while Chris Badenhorst, the wing who toured Great Britain in 1994, is injured. Still, though, they field international centres in

#### TEAMS

FREE STATE: M Smah, J Herm van Wyk, H Multer, B Venter, S Birth, J do Beer S Fourie, D Gronovald, C Morae, W Meyer, L van Rensburg, R Opperman, B Els, J Erasmus, J Coetzee.

BRITISH ISLES XV: T Strepson (Now-castle and England) J Bentley (Newcastle and England) A Bateman (Fachmond and Walest), W Generatic and England). W

## **England turn to Lions** with change of plan

strongest available squad to Australia for the international in Sydney on July 12, with invitations going to each of their 21 representatives on the British Isles tour of South Africa (David Hands writes). That represents a change of plan, since it was originally thought that the bulk of the squad would be drawn from the party which touted Argentina, with only ten Lions offering reinforcements.

Whether every Lion will leave South Africa for Sydney on July 7, two days after the third international with the Springboks, remains to be seen. Martin Johnson, the captain, wants to consult a specialist over a long-standing groin strain to see whethwhile Jeremy Guscott became a father for the third time shortly after the Lions tour

Of the players who ended the five nations' championship against Wales, Jon Sleightholme is omitted and Will Carling has retired.

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ENGLAND will take their Sleightholme, the Bath wing, ends an unbroken run of 12 appearances, being superseded by John Bentley, whose form for the Lions has been illuminating: Bentley's Jast (of two) England appearance was in 1988, also in Australia.

Only six members of the Argentina tour party - Phil de Glanville. Adedayo Adebayo, Alex King, Darren Garforth, Phil Greening and Ben Clarke - will travel to Australia and there will be immense personal satisfaction for such players as Matt Dawson and Neil Back that they have forced their way into contention by the quality of their displays in South

ENGLAND PARTY: Backs: T Stimpsort (Newcastle), N Beel (Northempton), T (Newcastle), N Beal (Northerroton), T Unicervood (Newcastle), A Adebayo (Bath), P de Glandille (Bath, A Calebayo (Bath), P de Glandille (Bath, Captain), W Greenwood (Lecesser), J Glascott (Bath), M Catt (Bath), A King (Waspa), K Bracken (Saracens), A Healey (Leicester), M Dawsun (Northampton) Forwards: G Rowntree (Leicester), D Garforth (Leicester), J Leonard (Hafequans), M Regan (Bristol), P Greening (Gloucester), M Johnson (Leicaster), B Shaw (Waspa), N Redman (Bath), L Dallagillo (Waspa), B Clarke (Fachmond), R HB (Saracens), N Back (Lecester), T Rodber (Norhampton/Army), A Diprose (Saracens).

gard Muller, while Johan Erasmus has been released from the national squad to play in the back row.

The significant aspect is the attitude that the Lions take into the match. Despite victory on Saturday, none of them accepts that there remains nothing further to play for in personal terms, which was the crippling defect of the 1993 Lions in New Zealand.

The mutual support of this tour party has been one of its strongest characteristics, a

fact recognised by Redman, who, at 32, never thought to be a Lion until this month and now finds himself midweek captain after a career during which his leadership qualities have been examined only in an England Under-23 side against Spain 12 years ago and on tour in Canada in 1993.

This tour doesn't finish until after the third test," he said. "People have reacted in an outstanding way as this tour has developed, better than any I have known. The whole tour has been a huge challenge and Tuesday's is the biggest yet. To fly into Bloemfontein, play at altitude against a top side, all in a day, will all help to focus the attention of the players."

Of the chosen XV for the

match today, the most disap-

pointed to have missed selection against South Africa may have been Simon Shaw and Eric Miller. Miller is given a further opportunity to play at No 8, his favourite position. and keep the pressure on Tim Rodber for an international place. "Every member of the team had a big game last Saturday, so it will take a momumental effort for anyone to get in." Miller said. "I'll go out and give it my best

have delayed until tomorrow the announcement of their side to play the Lions, pending a specialist's report on the shoulder injury to Japie Mulder. Pieter Muller and Justin Swart have been released from the squad, but Percival Montgomery. Western Province stand-off half, has been retained, which has given rise to speculation that he could win a first cap with Henry Honiball moving to centre.

Meanwhile, South Africa

Internet details of the Lions tour and reports on all the matches played so far are svallable on

## British athletics back on track

David Powell reflects

from Munich on the positive response to

European Cup success

oger Black, waiting to depart the airport yesterday, described the triumph of the Great Britain men's team here in the European Cup on Sunday as "the new beginning". Nearby, Robert Hough was trying to wake up — not from a late night celebrating his extraordinary contribution to the team effort, but to the reality that, for this season at least, he will be regarded as a scalp on the international stage.

"To be absolutely honest," Black said, "I did not know Robert, Then, suddenly, we had this guy crossing the line first and he summed the whole thing up. If I was to pinpoint three performances that won the cup. I would say Robert Hough, Mark Sesay and Bob Weir | respectively. first in the steeplechase, third in the 800 metres, and second in the discus)."

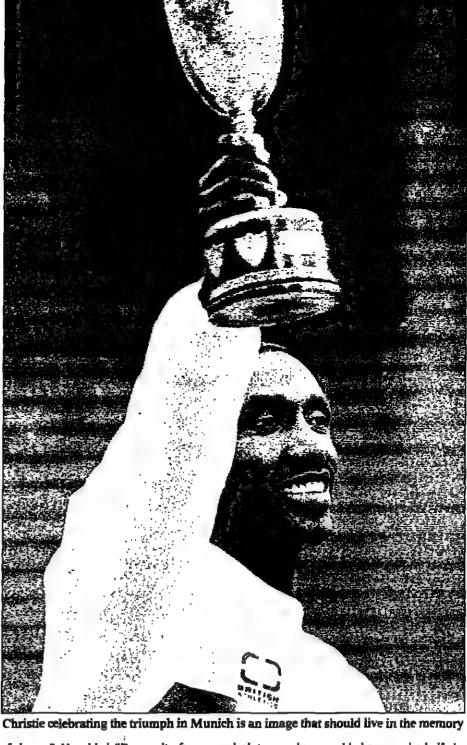
However, it will not be long before European Cup euphoria gives way to world championship ambition. That event, in Athens, is only five weeks ahead, but too much should not be expected of Hough, Sesay and Weir, their prospects may not stretch much beyond reaching finals.

Magnanimously, Black downplayed his own role here, and those of Steve Backley, Jonathan Edwards and Linford Christie - "We should be winning," which, of course, they did - to promote previously unheralded Britons. Now, though, as Athens beckons, attention will turn to the established names.

Victories at the weekend by Black, Edwards and Backley were encouraging for Athens, Gunnell and Kelly Holmes. Add to their triumphs the sound form of Denise Lewis, Ashia Hansen and the men's 4 x 400 metres relay team, and who among British followers can wait?

Black warned against unreasonable expectations, but said that Britain's first European Cup win since 1989 had been "crucial" to public confidence. There has been a lot of negativity in the past year. with the perception of our Olympic performance, the ups and downs of the [British] federation, and the political side, but this has given us an opportunity for the sport to build a solid foundation," Black said.

Referring to the departure of Peter Radford as chief execuitive and the hunt for a replacement, Black emphasised that this was "a period



of change". He added: "Even if there are political wranglings going on, one thing you can always count on is the athletes training

"We have proved that, though the sport does not, at the moment, have a chief executive, and we have had a few problems with lottery funding, the athletes are performing better than ever. Once we get those things sorted out, we have a positive future."

Quite correctly, Black drew attention to how timely was the men's victory and the women's hard-fought third place. Reebok, at the start of

its four-year deal to supply the Great Britain team kit, and Channel 4. in its first summer of a four-year domestic television contract, have struck lucky. Athletics is back in the big league of British sport after drifting towards the periphery.

Officially, from yesterday. Black is the Great Britain men's team captain, replacing Christie, but his first gesture was to offer to stand down in Athens, Christie repeated here, before the weekend's events, that he would not appear in the world championships, but so powerfully

Thames Tradesman's A; Trinty College. Dublin; United States Military Academy; University of London; University of Minnesota A; Wagening Argo Fawley Chellenge Cup (Tym: factest seven quality). All entires except Leander A. Montlala Anglan and Apha; S. Banedot? College, Flaverford School; Windsor/Claires Court. Silver Gobless and Mickells' Challenge Cup (Tym: lastest seven quality). All entires except Ayer and Weston, D. Clemente and Hassebach; Hepworth and Purnell. McCullian and Monison; Mishama and Hassebach; Hepworth and Purnell. McCullian and Monison; Mishama and Homes; Tenginey and Calle: Thatcher and Humi-Devia. Double Sculls Chellenge Cup (7.15pm; fastest eight quality). All entires except Bedingheld and Beechey, Bird and Angswelf: fribe and Fribe, Galet and van Driesschie, Kritoe and Frohes, Reedy and Antone; Searle and Walker; Stockmann and Critz. Diamond Challenge Sculls. Hym. tastest 12 quality). All competitors except R J Brische, D Girn, D J Gleeson: P M Heining; M H Hansen; J W Koven; T D A C Male, N McDonald-Crowley, A Meddag, G M P Searle; N 7 Supper; R 9 C Tucker. M P Vari der School.

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Super League Visa World club championship

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would be surprised if he changed his mind.

One hopes not, because seeing him win two races, holding the trophy, conducting the national anthem from the podium and launching himself among Union Flag waving spectators is how he should be remembered.

Black's gesture, not intended to influence, may do just that He said that if Christic changed his mind, he could have the captaincy for Athens. "Linford probably will not run." Black said. "I do not think there is any doubt in his mind, but, if he decides to go. I would not want the captainIN BRIEF

#### Blundell **swoops** for first victory

A DRAMATIC surge in the final straight tank Mark Blundeli, of Greet Britain. past Gil de Ferrari of Brazil and on to his first win on the IndyCar motor racing circuit. his margin of sictory -0.0027sec — being the narrowest in the history of the series.

Torrential rain caused havoc on the track at Portland. Oregon, but Blundell, who was denied victor, two weeks ago in Detroit after running out of fuel on the final lap. timed his switch to slick tyres to perfection, making up a 30-second deficit on de Ferran over the last ten laps.

flew home from the World Cup series in haly at the weekend with suspected heart trouble, had medical checks yesterday, Haytes, the British national track champion, may await further tests on July 4 before returning to action. ☐ Chris Boardman, of Great Britain, extended his lead in the Tour of Catalonia when he won the fifth stage, a timetrial, vesterday.

Cycling: Rob Hayles, who

Football: England Under-20s. already assured of a place in the knockout stage of the world youth champles ship in Malaysia, completed their group matches with a dour i-0 victory over Mexico yesterday. Michael Owen, of Liverpool, scored the decisive goal in the 65th minute.

Shooting: George Digweed, of East Sussex, three times the world clay pigeon shooting champion, set a world record at the European COMPAK Sporting championship in Le France. yesterday. hitting the maximum 200

Bowls: Margaret Johnston, of ireland, won the British Isles women's singles title for the second year running at Ayr yesterday. Her record third success in the event was sealed by a 25-11 victory over Ann Dainton, of Wales,

Athletics: Paul Edwards, the Great Britain international shot putter, yesterday failed in his High Court attempt to ger his drugs ban reduced from four to two years.

Equestrianism: Karen Dixor and Too Smart have been added to the long-list for the European three-day event championships at Burghley in September.

Rallying: Colin McRae, of Great Britain, drove his Subaru to victory in the three-day China Rally 97 yesterday.

#### FOR THE RECORD

## AMERICAN FOOTBALL

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CRYSTAL PALACE: South of England championships: Men: 100m: S Baldock (Hastings) 46,111 800m: D Hall (Highgate) 1min 50 70sec 1,500m: L Vensst (Bingford) 1min 50 70sec 1,500m: L Vensst (Bingford and Hove) 3:50.94 3,000m steephechaser P Davisen (Belgrave) 51 12 High Jump: S Ohriand (Chemstord (210m Prole vault: R Joseph (Chemstord) 210m Prole vault: R Joseph

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MCC TROPHY (one day): Quarter-finals: Grisnsby Town: Shropshire 278-7 (Asit Din 69, J V Anders 58); Uncoheshre 192. Shropshire won by 36 runs. Torquay: Devon 198 (N A Folland 75, M R Whate 4-27). Bediodshire 166 (D R Clarke 55). Devon won by 32 runs. Sherborne School: Dorset 200-7 (A Williams 53); Cambridgeshire 156 (S Mohammed 57, V J Pile 6-34). Dorset won by 44 runs. Jelamond: Norlolk: 245-8 (T J Boon 75, D R Thornes 60). Northumbertend 87-1 Norfolk won on Issier sporning falle.

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MOTOR RACING

PORTLAND, Oregon: G1 Joe's 200 race (race helted at two-hour time limit). 1, M Blundell (GB, Reynard-Mercades) 78 laps corruleted tave speed. 76 575mph); 2. G de Ferran (Br, Reynard-Honde); 3. R Bossel (Br, Reynard-Ford); 4. C Fittipostic (Br, Swinster-Ford); 5. G Moore (Can, Reynard-Mercades); 6. M Gugelmin (Br, Reynard-Mercades); 6. M Gugelmin (Br, Reynard-Mercades) at same lap.

POWERBOATING CHALDN-SUB-SAONE: Formula One world championship meeting: 1, S Gillman (US) 1hr 1 min 34.40sec; 2, G Cappellini (II) 1, 11.38 40; 3, P Lappela (Fin) 1-11-43 90; 4. M Werner 1-11.58.24; 5, A Elliott (GB) at 2

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AON THOPHY (one day): Famsfield CC: Nottinghamshire v Yorkshire. Heywards Heath: Sussex v MCC Young Cricketers **RUGRY UNION** Tour match Free State v British Isles XV (in Stoemtontein, 6.15).....

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By JOHN HOPKINS

GOLF CORRESPONDENT

ERNIE ELS has received his

due reward for winning the

US Open Championship and

a leading tournament in the United States in successive

weeks. He has been named the world No I, supplanting Tiger

Woods, who had replaced

Greg Norman last week. Els is

the first South African to head

Els's record in the Buick

Open at Westchester, outside

New York, is rivalling his

success at Wentworth, where

he is unbeaten in three years

of competing in the World Matchplay Championship over the West course. Els has

led at Westchester since the

start of the event last year. He

is 46 under par for the four

tournaments played there. On Sunday, he finished 16 under

par and won by two strokes.

"If there are horses for

courses, this probably is my

golf course," Els said. "Obvi-

ously I love the place. As to

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BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

LORD'S (final day of five): England drew with Australia

MICHAEL ATHERTON is accustomed to the long walk home but, usually, he has made the journey alone. Yesterday, left as so often before with the task of batting singlemindedly through a day to save his side, the England captain found he had company. And it was just as well.

If Mark Butcher had been

held at first slip by Mark Taylor when he had scored only two, Australia might easily have scored an improbable win. But Taylor dropped the catch and Butcher batted on for a further four hours, an innings as important to the destiny of the Ashes as it surely is to the destiny of his

England, 136 adrift when Australia somewhat surprisingly declared at start of play, made the game safe through a first-wicket stand of 162. Their 1-0 lead in the series was thus preserved and their unbeaten record extended to seven Tests. Australia, a shade disconsolately, had to settle for their first draw in 19 games.

A draw might seem guaranteed in a Test match restricted to the equivalent of only two days' play but this one was far from preordained. Indeed, such was the speed with which wickets tumbled once Atherton's familiar vigil had ended, the Australians will inevitably wonder if the result would have been different had they taken their early chance.

For the first time this summer. Shane Warne bowled with the old effervescence. For English eyes, it was an ominous sight. The ball with which he dismissed Butcher spun viciously from outside off stump, a delivery he replicated without reward against a bamboozled Graham Thorpe. There was consolation for Australia in this, though it may have escaped them in

For England, the draw will bring immense relief. Far too often in the past single, thrilling victories have been followed by immediate regression into disarray. Had they been beaten here, in such unusual and demeaning circumstances, the reciaiming of the Ashes would have suddenly seemed a remote objective.

The first-wicket pairing of Atherton and Butcher is in its infancy and may not have survived it had they been parted prematurely vesterday. Their previous stands had il 29 and II. and not to mention some nightvulnerable. He played like it, too, during a tormented first hour in which heavy, indecisive footwork did not identify a technical problem so much as a state of mind.

Butcher has been out of form. Since scoring 153 for England A at Edgbaston in mid-April he had passed 50 only once. His selection for England, therefore, was based on acknowledged quality rather than on a perusal of the county averages, and he has had to feel his way into Test cricket. He will be around for a while now and he will bat more fluently than he did yesterday, though with no greater resolution.

Taylor's abrupt declaration was doubtless influenced by the rain and murk still dominating the morning skies. Psychologically, he would have been better batting on briefly to extend the lead by a further 30 runs and exaggerare the task confronting England on what had been a capricious pitch.

As it transpired, the sun shone for much of the day and the pitch eased. There was nothing like the lateral movement so avidly exploited by Glenn McGrath in the first bounce, though still evident, was tempered by lack of pace. Nobody was more grateful for this than the groundsman. Mick Hunt, whose miserable battle against the elements has been exacerbated by criticism of his work. "Where are those gremlins now?" he asked at funchtime, his grin restored for the first time in five days.

Paul Reiffel was into his third over and the England total stood at 12 when Butcher pushed indeterminately and the edge flew at an obliging shin height to Taylor, who grabbed at the ball, perhaps sighting it late, and put it down. There were to be many more edges, though no further chances, until the stand was broken 150 runs later.

Atherton was at his most stoical, responding to the demands of the day with an exhibition of technical mastery, his footwork positive, his hands soft and pliable whenever he needed to drop the steeply lifting ball at his feet. Butcher grew in stature sim-ply by being with him.

The key to England's survival was to remain wicketless until lunch. With this achieved. Atherton advanced smartly to 50 and began, perhaps, to think he might belatedly make his first century at Lord's, in his tenth Test on the ground. In the game Butcher, with three failures, that saw him set a new England record for captaincy tenure, it would have been a



Reiffel finds the edge of Butcher's bat at Lord's yesterday morning. Taylor, at slip, split the chance and Australia's hopes of winning receded

him. Having dealt firmly with taken England ahead with a three off Steve Waugh and then greeted the return of Michael Kasprowicz by rocking back to pull for four, Atherton fell curiously. Going back to another short one from Kasprowicz, he trod on his off stump and departed shaking his head at the replay on the giant screen.

Alec Stewart chose the wrong ball from McGrath to pull and Nasser Hussain drove a return catch to Warne. When Butcher underestimated the leg break. England had lost four wickets for 40 and Australians everywhere were into their "what-if" syndrome. Thorpe and John Crawley, largely untroubled in adding 64, ensured that there would be no sting in the tail.

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Total (7 dec, 61 overs, 249min) .. 213

## 5-0, 8-0-35-1); Werne 19-4-47-2 (w 1; 4 fours: 10-2-22-0, 1-1-0-0, 8-1-25-2); Beven 8-1-29-0 (5 fours; 4-0-15-0, 4-1-14-0); S. R. Weugh 4-0-20-0 (4 fours;

b Kasprowicz (222mn, 159 bals, 10 fours) JA J Stewart c Kasprowicz b McGrath (29min, 24 balls, 2 lours)

**ENGLAND Second Innings** 

Extres (b 8, lb 14, w 1, nb 7) ...... 30 Total (4 dec. 79 overs, 320min) . 296 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-182 (Butcher 52), 2-189 (Butcher 75), 3-197 (Butcher 84), 4-202 (Thorpe 2).

BOWLING: McGrath 20-5-65-1 (nb 2; 11 fours; 8-3-10-0, 4-1-19-0, 8-1-36-1); Retifiel 13-5-29-0 (nb 2: 3 fours; 5-2-9-0, 4-0-19-0, 4-3-1-0); Kaaprowicz; 15-3-54-1 (nb 4; 7 fours; 6-2-14-0, 3-1-

say that is quite a surprise. I'm not sure what to say. I struggle for six months and then win two tournaments and am named No I. But, right at this exact moment, yes. I probably am No I. I've never said that Woods finished 43rd at the same event, continuing a dis

appointing run for him. He has broken par only once in his past 12 rounds. He said that he is tired and plans a week fishing at home in Florida to recover some of his enthusiasm for the game. "I have run myself into the ground," he said. He returns to competition at

the Western Open at the start of next month before travelling to Scotland for the Open Championship at Royal Troop, from July 17-21.

Woods will be joined there by 48 of the world's leading 50 syers. Jumbo Ozaki is the only one not to have entered the Open. Twelve former Open champions are among the record entry of 2.133 players only Jack Nicklaus and John Daly still have to confirm that they will be playing.

Nicklaus will base his decision on whether he feels he will-be competitive, though a decent showing in the US Open should convince him that he can still be. Daly, the 1995 champion, is taking time off from golf to recover physically and mentally after his recent problems with alcohol. He walked out of the US Open

## **West Indies** move into dominant position

KINGSTOWN (fourth day of five): West Indies, with seven second-innings wickets in hand, are 151 runs ahead of Sri Lanka

BRIAN LARA was 88 not out at lunch as West Indies reached 226 for three in their second innings on the fourth day of the second Test match against Sri Lanka in St

Lara and Carl Hooper had shared in an unbroken stand of 83 for the third wicket to give West Indies a lead of 151 after Floyd Reifer was dismissed early in the day for 18. Hooper was on 26 at lunch. Lara, 30 overnight, emerged from an unsteady beginning

to dominate and move to within 12 of his tenth Test century. He brought up his lifty by lifting Muttiah Muralitharan, the off spinner. over mid-on just after the drinks break for his fifth four off his 102nd ball. He added five more boundaries, taking three off Muralitharan in the last over before lunch. He also hit the same bowler for six over long-on.

Lara and Reifer bad stretched their third-wicket stand to 51 before Reifer slashed at a wide ball outside off stump from Pushpakumara and gave Kalu-witharana, the wicketkeeper. an easy catch.

However. Kaluwitharana dropped Hooper, then on 12. when he failed to hold on to an edge off Sajeewa de Silva. WEST INDIES: Second range

b Pushoakumara ...... TOTAL (3 WALS) . FALL OF WICKETS: 1 62, 2 92, 3 143 80MLING S C de Silva 13-1-52-0 Pushpokumara 14-2-52 2. Murahtharan 26-8-71-1 Dharmasana 10-1-30-0.

## Roebuck turns to leg spin for meeting of county champions

BY SIMON WILDE

MORE than a few county professionals will cast an anxious glance at the skies this morning. A continuation of the unsettled weather is the most likely route to an amateur side pulling off an upset in the first round of the NatWest Trophy, with the last resort in the event of a washout being the dreaded uncertainty of a bowl-out. Around the country yesterday, discreet practice sessions in bowling at a single stump may have been staged.
If the 16 ties are to be

resolved in a more conventional manner, there are no obvious scenes of potential embarrassment, though the five minor counties who play at home may make local knowledge count for

Lincolnshire will look forward to the visit of Derby-shire's fragmented ranks to Lincoln Lindum with curiosity and some optimism but the strongest of the five teams is undoubtedly Devon. Minor county champions for the past three seasons, they entertain

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8 G P Thorpe (Surrey)
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10 T L Penney (Warwackshire)
11 J B Lowo (Durham)
12 D L Hemp (Warwackshire)
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Leicestershire, who won the corresponding prize in the first-class game last year, at Exmouth.

Devon are imaginatively led by Peter Roebuck, who supervised their progress into the semi-finals of the MCC Trophy on Sunday and knows the value of the unorthodox in one-day cricket from his 18 seasons with Somerset. His dolly-mixtures with the ball have served his adopted county well and he is preparing to unleash another "mystery" bowler today in the shape of Stuart MacGill, the Australian leg spinner.

In view of his country's shortage of slow bowling, it would not have been a great surprise had MacGill been chosen to tour England this summer; in the event, he came anyway to play cricket for Tiverton, for whom he has taken 53 wickets in nine appearances. Overseas players are barred from the Minor Counties championship but may be registered to play in the NatWest Trophy.

"We had thought of trawling the Lancashire Leagues, where there are some very

good players such as Shane Lee and Chris Harris, but traditionally we have gone for someone from our own league." Roebuck said yesterday. "Ideally, we would have chosen a batting all-rounder but Stuart is very keen to play and knows most of the lads. Our side is largely made up of

locals." It can be hard for a leg spinner to stamp his authority on a match in which he is confined to 12 overs, and MacGill got "carted" in his one appearance for Devon to date, but he will not be fazed by the challenge. In one of the six first-class matches he has played, he took nine wickets to help a New South Wales XI administer England A with a thrashing in Tamworth last

winter. Devon's recent performances in the 60-overs competition have been creditable. Two years ago they scored 267 against Sussex at Hove, with a century from Foliand, their leading batsman, who was also once of Somerser. The year before that Yorkshire were made to work hard for their win at Exmouth.

FIRST-CLASS AVEARGES

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Wycombe in 1987 by Buckinghamshire, who today play hosts to Essex at Beaconsfield with another member of that vanguished Somerset team. Neil Burns, as their player-

Buckinghamshire's overseas player is Keith Arthurton. now unwanted by West Indies but scorer of 2,000 runs in his first season for High Wycombe in 1996. Essex are without Gooch, who has rested himself, but they will be in no mood for carelessness after their humiliation in the final last year. Cambridgeshire are at home to Hampshire, and Cumberland to Northamptonshire on their small ground at

Barrow. The World Cup qualifiers. Scotland and Holland, are at Bristol and Worcester respectively. The most hotly contested tie may well be at Lord's, which stages one of only two all first-class encounters, between Middlesex and Kent, At Oval, Surrey meet

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## Path to title built of Yorkshire grit

By Sarah Potter

THE Yorkshire women cricketers have perfected their winning smiles. They are dominating the domestic championship in much the same way as their male counterparts did during the 1960s. The likes of Illingworth, Close and Boycott kept the county championship in the North for seven years out of ten and this summer the women will bid

for their sixth title in a row. Sue Metcalfe, 32, who lives in the hamlet of Kilnsey in the heart of the Pennines, is the captain of Yorkshire. She plays in the Premier League for her club, North Riding, and is still an important player in the England side. renowned for her positive batting.

The seeds of the success were sown a decade or so ago. when energies were tirelessly ploughed into grass-roots cricket. Co-operation from the men has enabled strong growth. Yorkshire Cricket Association runs centres of excellence for girls as well as boys and the development centre at Headingley has given positive support. Coaching of a high quality has nurtured a healthy crop of players, from which Yorkshire now field under-17 and under-21 sides in addition to the three senior teams.

"All the players are good,"
Metcalfe said, "but there is
now strength in depth. It's
brilliant because the coaching has brought in players from North Allerton all the way down to Sheffield."

Night league cricket provides further playing opportunities. The 20-over matches, in which the emphasis is on having fun, are held weekly and supported by many of the surrounding villages.

Yorkshire dominance extends to many areas. Representation in the senior management of the men's England set-up ended recently

amid acrimony, but the women seem happy with their Northern bias. Two of the three England selectors come from Yorkshire and seven out

of 21 players selected for the

national team's winter train-

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ing squad live in the county. That number of players in the squad reflects the work put in at the lower level," Metcalfe added. "I haven't heard any players criticising the selectors. They are all respected." Janet Tedstone will be relieved to hear it. Like Gatting and Gooch, she is a recent England player-turned-selector. She plays for arguably the strongest club, Wakefield, and turns out for the Yorkshire second XI. Jeff, her brother, played county cricket for Warwickshire. However, this latest role was accepted with

some reluctance. "I wasn't especially happy to become a selector because I always said I would never do it." Tedstone said. "They needed someone at the last moment after a late withdrawal, but, in truth, it interferes with what I want to do in coaching. It's hard on the players when you wear two hats." Most of the selecting will

take place at the area championships, at which the title will be decided, held over five days in Cambridge next month. The main domestic competition will be played with fielding restrictions for the first time and the 50-over matches should provide vital practice for when South Africa tour England in August

Metcalfe is already planning the tactics. The change of rules adds another dimension," she said. "We want to try things out. Last summer, the Kiwis were scoring 70-odd runs in the first 15 overs: prolific. That's what we want to do."

Chances are, someone from Yorkshire will oblige.

RUGBY UNION

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#### **England** sponsor pulls out

By DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE Rugby Football Union (RFU), which has severed relationships with two of its longest standing sponsors within the past few months, is to lose a third with the withdrawal of Save and Prosper from its support of England marches played at Twickenham.

The insurance group, which has sponsored England's home games for 12 years at a cost of some £10 million (including the less financially attractive games and the Middlesex Sevens), is cutting its ties as a direct result of the RFU's agreement with satellite television. It has sought to adjust its contract now that BSkyB (the company that is part owned by News Interna-tional, owner of The Times), is to screen Twickenham internationals live next season.

Save and Prosper follow the brewers. Courage, who have ended their ten-year sponsor-ship of the national leagues, and Pilkington, who have supported the knock-out cup competition since 1988. Courage have been replaced by Allied Dunbar, so far as the first and second divisions are concerned.

"It's very regrettable but we just couldn't find a way of coming to an agreement which made commercial made commercial sense," Peter Roney, the chief executive of Save and Prosper

We had to assess what the value now is but, at the same time, it was still unclear who the terrestrial [television] partner would be and even the kick-off times. These are es-sential facts. We would like to have seen an adjustment of the costs of the sponsorship because the impact has been reduced."

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## Southampton give Jones opportunity to step up

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SOUTHAMPTON presented their new manager at The Dell vesterday and, in David Jones. 40, they have one of the best of the new generation. Last season, his Stockport County side won promotion to the first division of the Nationwide League and reached the semifinals of the Coca-Cola Cup. disposing of such distinguished opposition as Blackburn Rovers, West Ham United and Southampton themselves in the process.

With Graeme Souness long one, having joined Torino in Italy after his resignation from the manager's position last month, and after a search for a replacement that had taken in David Platt, the Arsenal and England player, among others. Southampton nimed to the former Everton defender. Their offer, Jones said yesterday, was "an opportunity I couldn't turn down".

"I set my target to be in the Premiership in three or four years," he said. "I've got there in two and a bit. How could I

turn it down? I leave Stockport in very good shape and wish them all the best, but now I am beginning a new season with Southampton."

Asked whether it might be a little more difficult for him now that he was to run a club that would not always be, as Stockport were in the Coca-Cola Cup, the underdogs, Jones replied that, after Stockport had knocked out Black-burn Rovers: "We were actually favourites in some games. I'm looking forward to it. There are a lot of bigger clubs than Southampton, so we'll have to see how we play

Explaining how Stockport had conquered Southampton. Jones said drily: "We scored two goals and Southampton only scored one. At the end of the day, we always thought at Stockport that, if we per-formed to the best of our ability and the Premiership side didn't, we had a chance. And Southampton didn't."

Southampton still have other matters on their mind. Lawrie McMenemy, a fixture

- apart from his unhappy parenthesis as No 2 to the former England manager, Graham Taylor - resigned somewhat impulsively in the wake of Souness's departure. He wanted to make his way back again, but his way has been blocked.

Rupert Lowe, the new Southampton chairman, regretted it, he said yesterday, given McMenemy's longevity and success at Southampton, but this was a new, young team - John Sainty, Jones's assistant at Stockport, is joining him at The Dell - and. besides, McMenemy had quit at a very delicate moment.

There is the question of whether Southampton will sue either Souness or the Torino club, since Souness still had more than two years left on his contract when he resigned - charitably, Lowe said that this was unlikely and the future of Phil Boersma, Souness's assistant. Reports in Italy insist Boersma will follow him to Turin, although Jones said

to him. There is also the club's still unrealised ambition of moving to a new stadium. something Lowe would ideally like to achieve as early as 1999. with Jones, who has been given a four-year contract, still in charge of the team.

That team. Lowe added, would, with luck, still include the maverick talents of Matthew Le Tissier. For his part, Jones said: "I admire Matthew and I look forward to working with him and I hope he looks forward to working with me." indeed he is, according to Lowe, and is about to discuss extending his contract, which expires at the end of the coming season.

Asked whether he would try to bring any of his resilient players from Stockport, Jones answered, somewhat cautiously: "We'll look at a lot of players, but, at the moment, I've got no plans to take anybody from Stockport." Stockport will get £200,000 in compensation from Southampton for losing their man-



Jones settles into his new workplace at The Dell yesterday

## Gray's rejection dismays Everton

BY DAVID MADDOCK

DISBELIEF turned to simmering anger at Goodison Park yesterday after Andy Gray decided that he did not, after all, wish to become the manager of Everton.

To say the news comes as something of a surprise is a glib understatement, Gray applied for the job and pursued it with some vigour, talking passionately of his desire to return to management. He even went so far as drawing up a putative backroom staff, which, significantly, precluded the installa-Howard Kendall alongside him as an experi-

A formal offer followed on Friday and that is when the doubts began. Yesterday, in accepting a substantially improved contract with BSkyB television, Gray admitted that he worried about his ability to manage such a club. "My heart wanted me to take the job, but my head has been telling me different things. Is a season as assistant manager with Aston Villa the right grounding for an important

Peter Johnson, the Everton chairman, responded first

with incredulity and then an equal amount of hostility as he learnt of Gray's decision. He felt, he said, betrayed by yesterday's events, given the former Éverion player's original enthusiasm.

"I'm aghast that he could behave like this, it is quite difficult to believe." Johnson said. "It is very difficult to take in. Andy Gray applied for the job and then went straight out

and started talking about it. 'It would be totally unfair for people to criticise us about this situation. We are nothing other than the totally wronged party in this episode, I'm amazed that he can behave in such a manner."

Johnson called an emergency board meeting last night to pick through the debris of yesterday's events, but Everton, three months after the departure of Joe Royle, are no nearer to filling their managerial vacancy, Howard Kendall was rejected in favour of Gray and his words at the weekend to the supporters of Sheffield United, his present club, will make a move difficult. Likewise, Bobby Robson, another long-term target, has apparently ruled himself out.

#### RUGBY LEAGUE

## Lindsay resolves to narrow gap

By Christopher Irvine

behind Australasia, underlined by a procession of defeats in the world club championship group stages, has caused understandable concern for the future of the game at international level. While Maurice Lindsay, the

Rugby Football League chief executive and chairman of the Super League International Board (SLIB) remains hopeful that Europe might yet have a representative in the final, on October 18 in Australia, it is only the contrived nature of the competition that keeps that particular possibility alive.

No matter how resounding the beatings, Europe is guaranteed four quarter-finalists, while Australasian sides can win all six of their group games and still find themselves excluded from the lucrative knock-out stages. It is the game in Britain and France, however, that is suffering and is being forced to wake up to some harsh realities.

Lindsay said: "We have witnessed the fact that rugby league in Australia has moved ahead yet again. Last time Great Britain toured Austraha, in 1992, we actually beat nearly every club side we played. Clearly, since the advent of Super League, standards there have risen dramatically.

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John Ribot, the SLIB vice-

THE fact that Europe lags far in Britain had improved, but not to the level of the Australasian Super League. This competition has been criticised by some because the British sides have failed to win enough games. We believe, however, that the competition will help Britain in the long term as the coaches and players realise the need to raise their standards.

> Castleford Tigers' recent championship defeat at Wheldon Road by Hunter Mariners was Lee Crooks's last as a player. The former Great Britain prop. 33, who made 18 international appearances, confirmed his retirement yesterday because of a long-standing knee problem.

His playing days began in 1980 at Hull, his boyhood club, for whom he made more than 200 appearances. He had a less productive spell at Leeds before a move seven years ago to Castleford, which revived a glittering career.

At the height of Hull's powers, Crooks won every domestic honour, including a Challenge Cup winners' medal, in 1982. He returned to Wembley ten years later with Castleford, during Wigan's Cup reign, but revenge was exacted in Castleford's memorable defeat of Wigan in the 1994 Regal Trophy final. A prodigious point-scoring record comprised 74 tries and 1,050 goals in 508 games at club, representative and international level.

Crooks, who will remain at Castleford in a coaching capacity, said: "It has been a tough décision to make but it is good to finish at the top."

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## Better Broncos keep Bulldogs on leash

Canterbury Buildogs.... 34 London Broncos ...... 18

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

LONDON Broncos have not quite buckled to the extent that some other British sides have in the lopsided world club championship; indeed, their confidence about the return match against Canterbury, on August 1. might be justified.

even, are not normally traits of Tony Currie in defeat, but the London coach was upbeat in his assessment. "I think it was a pretty good turnaround after a 66-point defeat at Canberta." he said. "I think we'll beat Canterbury in London, big

to Wigan Warriors and they showed a vulnerable tendency at Belmore Oval yesterday. In a one-sided competition, respeciability is a triumph of sorts and the Broncos, outscored by five tries to four. emerged with their credibility preserved.

When they might have been werwhelmed, their response to a 20-4 deficit at half-time was two quick tries on the wings by Offiah and Roskell. Had Matterson managed to convert those from the touchline, and an earlier score by Krause, it could have been interesting, but Canterbury Julied clear a second time and Were indebted to the faultless

place kicking of Halligan, who landed seven goals.

Privately, several Super-League coaches doubt whether the domestic game can do any more than lick its wounds before the second series of group games. Currie is less certain and will be demanding more than usual from his players. "We'll be uplifting all our ideas and lifting heavier weights. Change won't be immediate, but I think you'll Optimism, boastfulness see better performances against the visiting Australian teams," he said.

As three of Canterbury's tries stemmed from London's inability, generally, and that of Offiah in particular, to cope with high kicks, there is one obvious area for attention. As The Sydney-based side lost well as scoring one try and saving two. El Masri, twice pressured Offiah under the ball to force Hetherington's second try and another by Ward. Despite conceding a further try by Norton, Shaun Edwards latched onto a kick-through by Matterson in a positive finish.

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## Henman unbowed by weight of history



f ever Tim Henman loubted that he is taking the weight of tennis history upon himself. Wimbledon disabused him of that notion yesterday. His opening mund victor, over Daniel Nestor, horn a Yugoslav but based in Canada, was relatively easy, once he had broken the deadlock of the opening set ne-break, using his considerable service to prevail 13-11.

Thereafter, his confidence high, the game that took him to the quarter-finals last year beginning to flow back through his form, he swept Nestor aside 7-6, 6-1, 6-1.

That was to be expected.

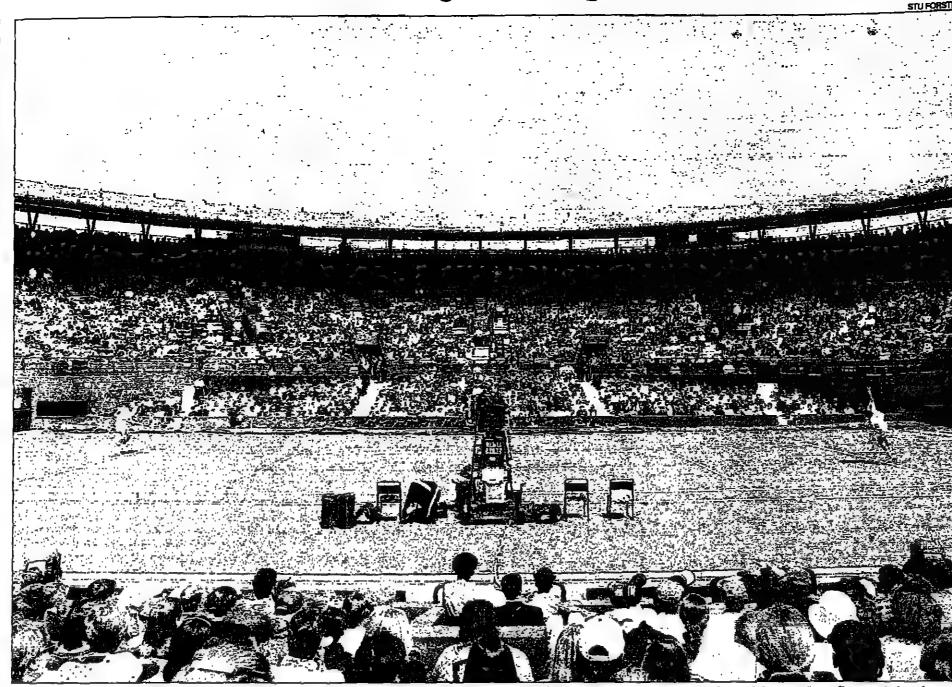
though, as his opponent had never broken into the top 100 on the ATP computer. However, Henman negotiated far more than a routine first win at this year's Wimbledon. He accepted the opportunity, the challenge to anoint Wimbledon's move towards the next millennium, to become the first victor in a competitive match on Wimbledon's new £100 million, circular, 11,000-seat No i Court.

Before the match, the All England Club laced the occasion with a pantheon of It former champions, each of whom had won this tournament three or more times ...

just to add to the pressures on this 22-year-old's career. What was he doing when the great ones, from Louise Brough to Rod Laver, to the ecstaticallyacclaimed John McEnroe were presented to Prince Michael of Kent and the crowd?

"I was winning a couple of games of backgammon." Henman said. "Actually, while the ceremony was on television in front of me, I knew that I had to avoid the distraction, just as I have to avoid reading too many newspapers. It's flattering that all this attention is on me, and I understand it, but I can't afford to let it interfere with my concentration."

Indeed not, otherwise Henman would lose another



Henman serves to Nestor during the first competitive match on the new No I Court at Wimbledon yesterday. Henman won in straight sets after a first-set tie-break

year. another opportunity to gain ground, maybe even one day to win the tournament, and thus to fill the yearning void in a British sport that has been laid to rest with Fred Perry, Henman needs no more reminders that Perry, in the 1930s, was the last British male singles champion.

Had Henman dared to watch the ceremony to baptise No! Court, he would have seen the delicacy and dignity with which Wimbledon greets its former greats. He would have seen how age certainly wearies the sporting gods, how it puts a crease here and there in the brow, slows the athletic stride, greys the temples of even a former enfant terrible. McEnroe.

Yet there is always the pride, the sense of honour and, as each of these revisiting friends of the place received a commemorative salver, it was touching to see the pleasure in their faces. Martina Navratilova. Billie-Jean King. Margaret Court ... and behind them, in a city banker's pinstriped suit, straight-backed with the sense of honour. Boris Becker, who hopes, yet, to win

again in this tennis museum.

Also among them was John Newcombe, who provided some unscheduled entertainment when he stumbled on the edge of the red carpet as he walked over to collect his salver. Then McEnroe raised a laugh by feigning surprise when he was introduced as the

man who had introduced a new phrase into the English language. The American's trademark lament — "You cannot be serious" — seemed particularly appropriate when the showers arrived to spoil Henman's entrance.

Indeed, it seemed that even the climate wished to make a statement. For the ceremony, perfect weather; as soon as Henman and Nestor began to warm up, the first pitter-patter of rainfall. It sent everyone scurrying beneath stairs, Jackie Stewart, another supreme British champion, among them, another searching pair of eyes that would return when the clouds allowed them back, to examine the British prospect.

The first set, with each player mixing aces with double faults, each as erratic as the day, took 50 minutes. But once Herman had negotiated that, once they resumed after rain when he led 1-0 in the second set, it was clearly Herman who had benefited from the agonising wait, the silent communion as the players sit side by side in the small

players' room.

It wasn't just British expectation that attended Henman on court yesterday. Nick Bollitieri had broadcast his view, a somewhat extreme and outrageous one, that Tim Henman plays the game like Pete Sampras, that he is some kind of a British version of the Greek-American power in the

game. It is unnecessary, as well as untrue.

Beating Nestor, the only

Beating Nestor, the only opponent he had to overcome yesterday, Henman somewhat early on proved his was the greater resolve, and the greater all-round game. He did it on crucial points, he raised his standard when it was necessary, he served 15 aces.

But a Sampras? Did we ever see that American pushing impatiently harder than he needs, attempting to hit winners from situations where it is best to show a little patience, to trust in the tempo of the contest, to score heavily when the time is right? Henman is on the learning curve.

He came back positive after the rain-break, the winner centration, that holds Britain's No I back from fulfilment. In an hour and 45 minutes of playing time, his duty was done. He fulfilmed with an

over not only of a visitor he

was fully expected to van-

quish, but over the internal

struggle, the search for con-

done. He finished with an overhead volley, a fine serve and volley, and then, having the courage to go with a deep second service on match point, Henman prevalled:

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It was relief rather than sheer joy. He knows the journey has hardly begun, he knows that if he ever does emulate Fred Perry, never mind the pantheon of champions paraded before him yesterday, he will live and die an exalted human being.



Men's singles Winner, £415,000 Runner-up: £207,500 Holder: R Kralicek (Holl)

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T HENMAN (GB) bt D Nestor (Can) 7-8, 6-1, 6-4
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A Richardson (GB) bt S Duran (Sp) 7-6, 6-3, 6-3
J VROCA (Sp) bt M Götlner (Ger) 7-5, 4-6, 7-6
R KRAJICEK (Holl) bt M Craca (Ger) 7-6, 6-2, 6-4
C MOYA (Sp) bt S Bryan (US) 7-6, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2
J Frana (Arg) bt M Damm (Cz) 6-7, 6-4, 6-3, 6-2
B Steven (NZ) bt L Roux (Fr) 6-2, 6-2, 7-6
G IVANISEVIC (Cro) bt D Pescarau (Rom) 6-1, 6-3, 6-3

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#### Statistics

From the days a century ego when there were just a few spectators to watch a handful of matches, Wimbledon has grown to the stage where armies of officials, caterers, groundstaff, ball boys and girls and security staff now work for at least 12



nours a days. The 13-day tournament now requires:

368 security guerds and commissionaires.

330 court officials, including

courts.

182 bell girls and boys.
230 drivers to move players and officials to and from the

0 1,400 caterers serving 30,000 portions of fish and chips, 60,000lb (27,000kg) of strawberries and 12,500 bottles of champagne.

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## Anti-hero returns as Mr Nice Guy

he members of the All England Club, sipping afternoon tea on the ivy-clad balcony overlooking No 4 Court, looked down on a shambling figure dressed in pristine white as if they were studying bacteria in a petri dish. They did not know whether to be fascinated by Jeff Tarango, or be appalled by what he has come to

appailed by what he has come to represent.

Rebels at Wimbledon are only sanctioned officially if they are sanitised by the passage of time. So, when John McEnroe was introduced at the self-conscious celebrations that marked the inauguration of No I Court earlier in the day, he was treated with the affection

reserved for a troublesome scamp

who grew up into a solid citizen.

Tarango, on trial during his firstround match against the French
qualifier Rodolphe Gilbert, is
another ball game entirely. He may
appease the purists by being a
sponsor-free zone, but that is
hecause the corporate culture instinctively rejects a moderately successful tennis player who is globally
renowned for being several strawherries short of a punnet.

berries short of a punnet. He is a true child of Manhattan Beach, California, where the height of non-conformity is to wear a suit Michael Calvin finds Jeff Tarango on his best

behaviour in front of a suspicious audience

and vote Republican. A philosophy graduate who evidently considers himself one of the world's great undiscovered novelists, he is the antithesis of tennis clubability. He has more in common with an ecowarrior like Swampy than a champion like Sampras.

pion like Sampras.

His one-man campaign against authority reached its nadir — some would say its natural conclusion — when he was banned from Wimbledon last year for stalking off court during his third-round match with Alexander Mronz in 1995, having impugned the reputation of the umpire. Bruno Rebeuh, Tarango's wife, Benedicte, added her weight to his protests by punching the bemused French official, whose discomfort was hardly eased by Tarango's immediate observation: "I'm glad you did that."

"I'm glad you did that."

The American soon discovered that the cost of his 15 minutes of infamy extended beyond his eventual \$15.500 fine. Every nuance of mental fragility that could be summoned from his past, a hit list that included his habit of screaming at

recalcitrant tennis halls and a shorts-dropping incident in Tokyo, was monitored in the public prints.

"It kind of worked against me," he admits. "People now think I'm going to be this raving maniae. I'm not sure who is more helpless out there me or the umpire. I wear it on my sleeve. There are pros and cons to that, but it's just the way that life is. Think about it too much and it will serew you up."

He was politeness personlfied yesterday, whispering "excuse me ballboy" which he required a refill for his plastic bottle of orange juice. He was even on first-name terms with the Australian umpire. Wayne McKewan. The only tangible sign of emotion came when he clenched his right fist, after breaking Gilbert in the decisive eighth game of the first set.

This, of course, came as a great disappointment to the crowds througing the walkway beside No 4 Court. Despite its supposed preddiction for impeceable manners, Wimbledon thrives on discord. There is a zoo-like quality to

the outside courts, where every throwaway comment, delivered bypassing strangers. Is amplified.

Others have a different agenda. Tarango's fellow professionals disowned him at the French Open in Paris, when he committed the cardinal sin of openly mocking an opponent, mimicking Thomas Muster's rolling gait and serving underarm. The Austrian, outraged, refused to shake hands at the end of the match.

Yet he is acutely aware that such indiscretions will matter little this week. In an era of increasingly conventional characters, he has been selected to play the traditional role of anti-hero. He will still be known as the man who dared to challenge the sacred conventions of the All England Club.

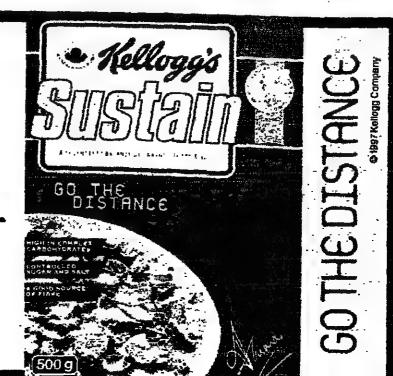
"I was a bad boy, I know," he

said. "My morn told me so. It was a bad thing for sport and I have this stigma hanging over me. If it was in New York, people would have said: 'Oh, there's a whole lot of yelling going on over there,' But, in England, they love a scandal. The tennis organisations made it look like I was this criminal. I don't think it was fair at all..." Life, of course, is not fair. Especially in London SW19.



Tarango collects his thoughts during a restrained display yesterday

ADVANTAGE HENMAN.



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TENNIS: KRAJICEK POSTS SPEEDY REMINDER OF QUALITIES NEEDED TO WIN WIMBLEDON TITLE

## **Thunderous** beginning to defence of men's crown

Between the showers of rain came the thunder, much of it supplied by Richard Krajicek. It is possible that you do not remember much about Krajicek; it is even possible that you have forgotten that he won the men's singles at Wimbledon last

FIRST DAY

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year. There are some people, even champions, who have the knack of rising without trace. Often, at Wimbledon, there rises a new star, who turns the established order of things on its head and changes the look of the firmament. Normally, these people are cherished. creators of the great "I was there" occasions. Nobody resented Boris Becker's tumultuous arrival - still less was able to forget it: but Krajicek's victory last year had some-thing about it of the anticlimax. He has never yet managed to live that down.

It was, after all, a very rum Wimbledon. An awful lot of rain, even more than usual, and real British success, too, to make things all the rummer. Seeds falling all over the place and the championship suddenly there for the taking. So Krajicek took it.

It was never said, but it was always secretly regarded as a slightly cheap victory. I mean, Sampras had gone, had he not? Never mind that Krajicek was the one who knocked him out. Krajicek had the look of a slightly fortuitous, and easily forgettable, champion; a champion who made no great impression on the world. These exist, even at Wimbledon; look at Michael Stich.

Though lew people do. Yesterday it was Krajicek taking the champion's traditional position of honour as the first player of the tournament on Centre Court. His appointed chopping block was a chap called Marcello Craca, who turns out, against all the odds, to be German, and ranked No 134 in the world.

Craca played a first set best

SIMON BARNES



At the Wimbledon Championships

described as brave and was, or had to be, satisfied with that, going down 7-6, 6-2, 6-4. The champion? Well, he looked rather immense, to tell the

Then, he is a fairly immense sort of fellow, standing at oft Sin and looking rather as if the tennis court were the wrong size for him. He is, in any case, one of those people who seems to take up more tham his fair share of room; he made Centre Court a physically oppressive place for his opponent. That is a rather useful knack.

Krajicek is a very tall man who hits a tennis ball very hard. There are an awful lot of men who answer to that description; not all of them win Wimbledon. I can report that Krajicek has not lost any of his power.

He makes the court look small with his reach and his mobility. He is an almost ostentatiously athletic player, taking a great selfdelight in his general air of hounginess.

However, it is one of the curses of modern tennis life that a champion has to wear some kind of absurdly inappropriate garment, no matter how remote his taste for intemperate sartorial state-

The pyjama game: but Krajicek is far from somnambulant as he powers his way past Craca in the first round yesterday ments. Sampras, with his showed that his volleying can khaki bags, was one example. be crisp and instinctive.

They have made Krajicek turn out in a weird buttonthrough shirt with a contrasting collar. It looked as if he was running about in his jimjams. How can you convince your opponent that you are a mad axe murderer when you are forced to do your stuff in something looking like Marks and Spencer pyjamas?

It takes a big person to rise above such a disadvantage, and Krajicek did so by hitting the ball with fearsome force; but there is more to Krajicek's game than that. He is not just freakish serving machine. He has power, and touch, too; and, in the last game, he He is a player with quite a-lot going for him, then. The

one thing that he most conspicuously lacks is theatricality. This is a gift and can be a priceless asset, too, in the hands of such people as John McEnroe and Becker.

t is not essential, any more than it is essential for a great fast bowler to have the same quality. Certainly, some great bowlers did: Fred Trueman, Curtly Ambrose and Dennis Lillee among them. Glenn McGrath, like Krajicek, is totally without this theatrical quality, but its lack did not prevent McGrath from

putting up one of the great fast bowling performances last Saturday; nor did it stop Krajicek from winning Wimbledon. For that matter, Sampras is almost totally bereft of theatricality. If anyone demonstrates that this quality is a non-essential, it is him.

On the evidence of yesterday, Krajicek is in very decent nick. He is on offer at 7-1; there have been worse bargains at Wimbledon. Krajicek, himself, agreed with that. "Every match I have played this year, I felt I could have won," he said. A slightly twisted logic, but you knew what he meant.

This year, I have felt I could win another grand slam [tournamentl, and for sure on grass," he said. He felt pressured by the role of champion at the start, he said, and was visibly stiff; but he loosened up and soon remembered that belting the hell out of little furry balls is an awful lot of what Wimbledon is about. "I was glad to win, he said.

"It wasn't one of those matches when you go looking for beauty.

We will keep an eye on him this year. He will not be able to sneak through two or three rounds without anybody bothering him. There were one or two hints in his general play yesterday that he could be a better player than he was last

year. One certainty: it will take

a good player to stop him.

## **Britons** sent on victory road by Richardson

By NICK SZCZEPANIK

The first spots of rain fell at Ipm. A minute later, there was thunder and lightning. By 1.04. Julie Pullin, of Great Britain. was facing her first two match points against Magdalena Maleeva, of Bulgaria. She saved them, won the game and even broke Maleeva for the first time in the next, recovering from 0-40 down; but by 1.12 it was all over and the first British player was out of Wimbledon: 6-1, 6-3.

The match had lasted 63 minutes. Pullin was not the first player eliminated — that doubtful honour went to Henrieta Nagyova, of Slovakia, beaten by Irina Spirlea. of Romania - and she will fight again another day in the doubles with Lorna Woodroffe: but she could not disguise her disappoint-

"I didn't play very well at all." Pullin said. "She [Maleeva] was using it a bit as practice. I was very disappointed that I didn't test her that

much. I'd play a couple of good points and the next three were really bad. It was a big match and a big opportunity, but I would be disappointed to play like that in any match. You want so much to do well here. It's just a shame I couldn't do it."

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There was better news on the adjoining court, where Andrew Richardson became the first British player into the second round. Richardson, a 6ft 7in left-hander, defeated Sergi Duran, of Spain, 7-6, 6-3, 6-3. Two sets up when rain stopped play for the first time, Richardson, ranked No 5 in Britain and No 232 in the world, had produced some thunderous services, including a four-ace game to lead 6-5 in the first. "it's always been one of my strengths, and it's improved and become more consis-

tent." he said. Richardson, 23, last played at Wimbledon in 1992, but, as he said, has worked his way back up in 1997. After his Davis Cup defeat of Byron Black, the world No 46, he upset Sargis Sargsian at Queen's before being beaten in three sets by Tim Henman, whose positive influence on British tennis Richardson acknowledged as well as Henman's generosity in allowing him to sleep on the floor of his flat earlier this year.

"I've grown up with Tim. and it's up to us whether it inspires us or not," Richardson said. "It does me. It's easier having someone who shows you it can be done."

The delay had no ill-effects as Richardson broke Duran, No 378 in the world, for a 5-3 lead before serving out to record his first win at Wimbledon. "Today I played well and if I play well I think I have a chance against most players," he said.

The weight of British expectations had not been a burden. "I really en-'It's up to us joy it," he said. whether "It's great to be playing in front Henman of home fans. They want us to

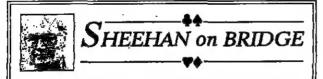
> everything we can to do well." Richardson will now play Juan Albert Viloca, of Spain.

do well, and

we're doing

Elsewhere, British players stayed in the competition thanks to a combination of their own efforts and that of the weather. Chris Wilkinson, who would have played Thomas Muster, the No 6 seed, had he not withdrawn with through injury, nevertheless faced a tricky match against Jonas Bjorkman, but battled to take the first set tiebreak 8-6. It had taken so much out of Wilkinson that Bjorkman raced through the second set 6-0.

Jamie Deigado, 20, two sets down against Jerome Golmard, of France, hit an ace to take the third-set tiebreak, but was one game from defeat at 2-5 in the fourth when rain intervened, the weather also leaving Luke Milligan 4-2 up in the third set against Arnaud Clement, of France, the set count standing at 1-1.



By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent There were various chances in this slam from the London Easter

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The simplest (but least good) line is to win the ace of hearts and take the club finesse. putting all one's eggs in one basket. Most declarers found the

right first move of laying down the ace of clubs. One time in three the king will fall and you can claim immediately. When it didn't, the popular continuation was to try the even-money diamond finesse, increasing the total chances of success to just over 60% -

The best line, which also fails, is to combine the chances of finding the king of clubs bare and establishing dummy's spades. Start with the ace of clubs: if the king falls you're home; if someone shows out you revert to the diamond When both defenders follow

with small clubs, you play three rounds of spades, ruff-ing. If they break 3-3, you cross to dummy with a diamond ruff, and throw your losing heart on a spade. If spades are 4-Z, you ruff a diamond to dummy and ruff another spade, setting up a

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WORD WATCHING

#### By Philip Howard

HEISENBERG a. A university b. Uncertainty c. A student's cap

MUSEAU a. A face c. A wonking session But on the actual layout, with the black suits as they

ruffs the master king of diamonds for the final entry back to dummy, East can overruff and cash a heart. Still, if you played like that you would have gone down in a classy way. I think the combination of chances brings the slam in ☐ After 21 rounds of the Open series in the European Championships, Britain are ninth. Yesterday they beat Yugoslavia 18-12 but lost 8-22 to Russia. The leaders are Italy (403). Norway (397) and Iceland (392), with Britain on 362. Halfway through the women's series, France lead on 246, ☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in. Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

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CHESS CORRESPONDENT

BY RAYMOND KEENE

Short's hat-trick

Nigel Short, perhaps stung by his fall to No 3 in the UK ranking list, has scored a remarkable hat-trick in the tournament at Novgorod. In the last three rounds he has defeated Gelfand, Kramnik and now Topalov and occupies third place on his own with one round to go. Short's opponent in the last round is Garry Kasparov.

. In the following game, Short tries an unorthodox confused and thereafter Short delivers a strategic masterpiece, sacrificing rook for knight to obtain an unstoppable mass of pawns. White: Veselin Topalov Black: Nigel Short

Novgarod, June 1997 Sicilian Defence

Couck Obs Bcs Oss+ Bxd4

Diagram of final position

Scores with one round to go are: Kasparov 6/9; Kramnik 5.5; Short 4.5; Bareev 4; Topalov and Gelfand 3.5.

□ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

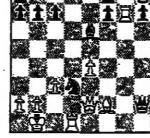
WHINING MOVE

#### By Raymond Keene

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White to play. This position is from the game Staunton -Harrison, London 1842. In this complex position White is a piece down and his rook and bishop are under threat. How did he respond?

Solution on page 50



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CHANGING TIMES

## Driven to first-day distractions by the missing giant strawberry



Kickir. J and Screaming

n the car park farthest from the All England Club, a hot-air balloon in the shape of a strawberry was steadily inflating, and a light drizzle was falling. It was a restful sight. Very English. Ten o'clock in the morning. and all was well.

The odd thing was, I never saw that strawberry again. The first day of Wimbledon. for someone who has never attended before, can be a supremely disorientating experience, and the non-appearance of that one sure thing albeit a gigantic and unnecessary soft fruit - became a kind of symbol for the day. When lost or demoralised at the All England Club, remembering to head for the green buildings was never a reliable system. for a start. Everything at Wimbledon is green.

Of course, apart from the new No I Court, it's all familiar from the telly. The rain, the queues outside, the shouts of joy when a formerly unknown Brit attains the pinnacle of his game. One thing I was wellprepared for was eavesdropping on the crowds on neighbouring courts, on those doubtless frequent occasions when they are witnessing a better game. But it's funny how, over years of seeing those aerial shots of "out on No 17 Court - and the cunning placing of Des Lynam in front of a panoramic window - no map of the place has ever been created in one's mind.

What you can't help noticing is those little vignettes the BBC always strings together under a corny song for cloudburst interludes. Children asleep: balls bouncing off the umpire's chair; rabbits running across the court — that kind of thing. Next to me on the benches alongside No 4 Court (A Richardson v S Duran), a crudites to her husband, and it felt just like a BBC moment to

Crudités. I ask you. Nothing could make you more nostalgic for the football terraces. But, at the same time, it was a real treat to watch sport in hushed silence. The man who selected a stick of carrot held it



Henman has no security worries as he makes his entrance on the new No 1 Court

until the players changed ends before he munched it. A pin dropping would not perhaps rouse comment alongside ut cerily o certainly is. At most football matches you could drop a whole haberdashery shop.

and nobody would notice. Coming clean about things. I'll admit I found it hard to stick with the tennis. Showers interrupted, and besides. Wimbledon appears to be a sort of melee - loads of sruff

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going on everywhere. While There's no focus yet, that's the Henman was battling for the first set on No I Court (exciting tie-break), people were strolling about outside, browsing in the museum and the shop, buying pints, humming and hawing over whether to buy the special Wimbledon cushion for alleviating numbness of burn. A few people were gathered under a scoreboard to see how the greatest Tim of all time was gening on, but

many were unconcerned.

problem. You have to accept that you'll see much less than vou'll miss.

As a case in point, I hared along to No 1 Court to see Henman win the first set. I'd had a nice seat there earlier, but - it's a long story - had been ejected from the opening ceremony on grounds of not being Dutch (I think), Arriving during the Henrnan-Nestor rie-break. I was now refused admittance on the grounds to push into a seat.

Fair enough. So, standing in a tunnel at the bottom of some stairs, I listened in frustration to the increasingly exciting score, easily judged by the Oohs and Ahs, "Wow, 10-9," I said, even though I couldn't see a thing, "Gosh, ten-all." Luckily, the man waiting immediately ahead of me on the stairs was extremely old and infirm, and had bow-legs. I could therefore see an enticing segment of crowd, by peering between them.

Back with our lesser hope on No 4 Court, Richardson had a more than creditable straightsets win, interrupted by only one shower, but somewhat marred aesthetically by the fact that his opponent, on tiptoe, reached just about to his collar-bone.

Next to me on the bench was a woman so anxious about this tiny first-round match that she was pretty certainly his mother. "Oh, Andrew," she gasped occasionally. But most of the time she fixed her gaze on the floor, in an attitude of suppliance. If it had been a football match. I could have spoken to her. But it was Wimbledon, so I just pretended to be masticating carrot, very, very quietly.

#### 'He held his carrot until the players changed ends before he munched it'

So it wasn't an idyll. And I never saw the strawberry again, which hurt. Seeing Henman forge ahead in the second set was pleasant, espe-cially as I could see what he was up against - on top of the obvious. A peculiar high-pitched whistle was audible for several games, a noise suggestive of an enormous light-bulb that's just about to give out. Rain clouds hovered. A bizarre staff announcement rang out. Close to, Henman looked poignantly youthful, like a teenager. That's often the way with sportsmen.

On a final note, I have to say the single most impressive thing about Wimbledon is the boldness, nay the staunchness of the club's adherence to the colour purple during all its years in the wilderness.

Whoever thought purple would be rehabilitated? But it is rather chic these days, and suggeniv all the green-and purple stuff in the Wimbledon Club Shop looks fabulous. At football shops, I have, of course, been tempted by Bristol City curtains - tie-backs extra - though I have never succumbed. But some of this All England stuff would fit into my home with alarming

## Gentleman Edberg content to remain the retiring type

But he does not want

Ivanisevic to get involved in a

long five-set match, where his

figure of 42 ares could go by

Pete Sampras, the world No L

three times Wimbledon cham-

pion and hot favourite with

the bookmakers again this year, grew up idolising Rod

ONE familiar figure who will not be in action at Wimbledon this year - and not because of injury — is that gentleman of tennis. Stefan Edberg. Edberg was only 30 when he gave up playing after the Davis Cup final against France in December last year.

The impressive Swede, who has made his home in London, won Wimbledon in 1988 and 1990, was the world No I for 72 weeks in the early 1990s and played in a record 54 successive grand-slam tournaments, ending his great run at the US Open in 1996.

Edberg's hehaviour on court was impeccable but his modesty was even more pronounced. After winning the title in 1988, he was worried he would no longer be able to shop at Harrods in case he was recognised.

#### Aces high

John Feaver, former British Davis Cup player and now Lawn Tennis Association tournament director, can stop chewing his nails for the next couple of days at least.

In 1976, Feaver, using a wooden racket, created a new Wimbledon record when be served 42 aces in his secondround match against John Newcombe, the former champion. It was a game he nevertheless lost.

Feaver is quite proud of his record, but in recent years has always thought that, one day, Goran Ivanisevic, the powerful Croatian server, would SUITDANS IL

However, in his first-round match against Dinu Pescariu. of Romania. Ivanisevic served only 24 aces on route to a 6-1. 6-3, 6-3 win, although he only served for 12 games, working out at two aces per game. Feaver does not mind that. | mates. Laver, the great Australian

So it is not surprising that he has even greater incentive than usual to win the men's singles again. Victory on Sunday week would mean he would join his here as one of only three men in the modern era to lift the trophy on four occasions. Laver, a left-hander nick-

named Rocket, achieved that feat in the 1960s and Bjorn Borg won five times in succession from 1976-80, Sampras still only 25, could leave them far behind in the coming years if he continues to maintain his form.

In fact, you would get short odds about him eventually equalling Willie Renshaw's record of seven victories accumulated a hundred years ago, hetween 1881-1889.

#### WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 45 HEISENBERG

Four Pete

Helse, Bert.

(b) The name of Werner Heisenberg (b. 1901), the German physicist on a par with Einstein and Rutherford. His name is used as an eponym with reference to his matrix theory of quantum mechanics, and to the uncertainty principle deduced by him in 1927. Heisenberg's Principle of Indeterminacy lays it wn that an electron may have a determinate position or a determinate velocity, but not both."

(a) A person's face. In French, literally the muzzle or snout of an animal. "She, with her odd little muscau, not exactly preny, but very affractive." LOUNS

(c) A style of close-litting casual trousers, widely flared from the knees to the ankles. From to loon, especially of young people, to spend one's leisure time in a pleasurable way, eg by dancing to popular music. To lie about or wander about. "I wriggled into a pair of brown velvet looms, dropped a cream lace funic over

MORDIDA (a) A bribe, an illegal exaction. In Mexico and adjacent parts. From the Central American, cf. the English "to put the bite on".
"Just go see my friend, Sr G., at Gobernacion. He's such a good friend of mine that you'll not even have to pay a mordida."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE 1 Bd4! Qxc2 (there is nothing better) 2 Rxf7+ Kg8 3 Rg7+ Kh8 4 Rgf+ and

## Watching the watchers

Colin Edwards, a middle-aged man who lives in a Colin Edwards, a middle-aged man who lives in a modest terrace house in Macclesfield, is either very sad or perfectly fulfilled according to your point of view. His hobby, nay obsession, is pursuing the Royal Family. The pursuit is in the best possible spirit. Edwards is nothing if not a monarchist and determined to show it on every possible occasion. His strategy is to get himself in the front row of the crowd as the royals prepare to go walkabout. We see him chatting up the Queen (his 65th encounter with her), reciting a poem to the Queen Mother and offering another poem, plus flowers and a book, to Diana, Princess of Wales. She clearly likes the attention and calls him Colin. The others, you the attention and calls him Colin. The others, you suspect, find his blandishments a shade irksome but are far too courteous to show it.

#### My Brother Channel 4, 9.00pm

Last week we heard about sister relationships, now we have an equally engrossing film by Ametic Clark about brothers. Her choice of subjects is hardly representative of brothers as a whole. But, the strength of the film is not in trying to establish universal truths but in highlighting particular forms of love and tension. Roy and Ken Kemp are in their sixties, single and still live in the family home. For 30 years they were looked after by their sister. Then she developed Alzheimer's disease and they must look after her, which they do with tenderness and humour. Dominic Golden was 21 when he took his own life. Five years on his brother and the state of the and sister still feel guilty that they were unable to give him more support. Finally we hear how, Lloyd (13) and Steven (11) are affected by their sister's

#### We Are Not Alone: Sky Watchers ITV. 10.40pm

You cannot say that ITV is not trying its dammedest to convince us that there is life beyond our planet, although the evidence is debatable and the proof non-existent. This latest contribution to the Into the Unknown season is the first of a two-part documentary about UFOs, aliens and alien abductions. The peg is the 50th anniversary to the



Loyal subject Colin Edwards (BBC2, 9.00pm)

day since an American pilot saw nine disc-shaped objects in the sky which gave rise to the term flying saucer. Sightings have continued ever since. Many have been by pilots, who might be considered to be credible winesses. The film rounds up some of the more colourful episodes, from Nevada to Scotland and the former Soviet Union, and finds apparent. and the former Soviet Union, and finds apparently respected figures, such as psychologists and academics, who are prepared to take alien visits

Give a Dog a Bad Name

Radio 3, 9, 15pm

BBC2, 11.15pm In a late-night entertainment that deserves to be In a late-night entertainment that deserves to be screened earlier, the singer and songwriter John Shuttleworth sets off on a United Kingdom toticito prove that stardom begins at 55. But you soon realise that this is not the usual rockumentary. For realise that this is not the usual rockumentary. For one thing Shurtleworth has no talent. For another his first gig is booked for a Derbyshire reference library. And can he really have children called Karen and Darren, and what about that dragon of a wife who is much heard but never seen? Radio listeners, who have encountered Shurtleworth. listeners who have encountered Shuttleworth-before will tell you that he is a spool, the creation of a clear actor and comedian called Graham Fellows. But to be in on the joke is not to spoil it. In tonight's instalment Shuttleworth is forced to take the bus after his car breaks down but still gets to Iceland. The freezer centre, of course, not the country.

Peter Waymark

This is a new and welcome series which defends

maligned reputations and will come as a great relief to those who are sneered at by elitists because their record collections include "popular" classics. The series is presented by David Owen Norris and

the first programme deals with Tchaikovsky's 1812.

Overture. The popularity of this piece surely rests on the fact that it is a huge, thumping, lively work which gets the adrenalin flowing, but of course the elitists use these very qualities to dismiss it as bombastic. Ironically, certain Radio 3 executives have used similar condescension to dismiss Classic

PM. Later programmes will deal with Nigel Kennedy, the composer Antonio Salieri and

WORLD SERVICE

CLASSIC FM

Peter Barnard

#### RADIO CHOICE

Swings and Roundabouts Radio 2, 9.30pm

The past may seem rosier than it actually was, but I recall visiting fairgrounds as a boy without encountering the threatening atmosphere that is sometimes present now. But this programme combines a celebration of fairground culture with a look at the threats to its future without getting into come of the unifer secret. The programme is a took at the intreast to its future without getting into some of the uglier aspects. The programme is assisted by having a producer who is steeped in the subject. Amber Dawson's parents and grand-parents were born into fairground families. The threat to the fairground now is mainly from other social pressures: spaces that fairs used to occupy are increasingly given over to development. As the land available shrinks, rents rise and thus put further pressure on fairground businesses.

7.00am Mark Radolitie 9.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Jo Whiley 2.00pm Nicky Campbell 4.00 Kevin Greening 6.15 Newsbeat 6.30 Evering Session with Steve Lamaco 8.30 Digital Update 8.40 John Peul 10.30 Mary Anna Hobbs 1.00am Claire

6,00am Alex Lester 7,30 Sarah Kermedy 9,30 Ken Bruca 11,30 Jannay Young 1,30pm Debbie Thrower 8,00 Ed Stewart 5,05 Critis Serie 7,00 Alan Freeman 8,00 Nigel Ogden 9,00 Nand-Griffith presents Woody Guthale 9,30 Swings and Round-abouts. See Choice 10,30 Richard Allinson 12,05am Steve Madden 3.00 Charles Nove

#### RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00mm Morning Reports 6.00 The Breaklast Programme 9.00 5.00mm Morning Reports 6.00 The Brissnain Programme 9.00 The Margazina 12.00 Midday with Mair 1,30 Wimbledon 97 8.00 Any Sporting Cuestions? With Pat Murphy, Roger Black, David Lloyd and John McCrinck 9.00 Murray Walker's Grand Prix World 9.30 The 21st Century and How to Survive it with Domnik Diamond and Fi Glover 10.00 News Talk 11.00 News Extra 12,00 After Hours with Vincent Hanna 2,00em Up All

5.00em Chris Ashley and Sandy Warr 7.00 Paul Ross 9.00 Scott Chishoim 12.00 Lorraine Kelly 2.00pm Tommy Boyd 4.00 Peter Deeley 7.00 Anna Raebum 10.00 James Whale 1.00em Mike Dickin

#### VIRGIN RADIO

#### 6.30em Russ 'n' Joho in Bahrain 10.00 Graham Dene 1,00em Jeremy Clark 4.00 Nicky Home 6.00 Paul Coyle (FM) / Robin Banks (AM) 10.00 Mark Forrest 2.00em Richard Porter RADIO 3

6.00am On Air, with Andrew McGregor, Includes Mocan (Serenade in D); Talisi (Ave Rosa Sine Souris); Liszt (Concert Peraphrase on Verdi's Rigoleffo), Widor (Mass in Fisharp minor); Berkot (Overture, Romen Carnival)

9.00 Morning Collection, with Peter Hobday, Includes Eigar (Serenade for Strings). Poulenc (Violin Sonata); Sibelius (Suile Swamwhite)

10.00 Musical Encounters, with Stephanie Hughes Includes Probotiev (Separture, Winter Bortine); Mendelsoohn, arr Rachmaninov (Scherzo, A Midsummer Night's Dream); Campion (Song Solection), Beethoven (Prano Trio in Ciminor, Op 1 No 3). Probotiev (Five Althmatovo Poems), Stravinsky (Threy Places for Sinny Quartet), gade (Elverstud, Part 1); Moeran (Whythorne's Shadow); Spohr (Violin Concerto in A. Op 1)

12.00 Composer of the Week: Parts 1750, Includes

Shadow): Spoty (Violin Concerto in A. Op. 1)

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1.00pm News; City of London Stritonta. Penny Gore inhortuon the fourth of six concerts kraturing French music. Faure (Powane). Francaix (Concerto for Flute and Clarinal), Honegger (Pastorale d'Ete). Ibert (Divertissement) (4/6)

2.00 Votcos, Linda Ormiston Introduces a recital of Scotlish and English songs of darkness and light. With Mhain Lawson, soprano, and Jacob Hamighan, lute tr)

2.45 The BBC Orchestres. BBC Philhamionic, under Gunther Herbig, Mozan (Overture. The Marrage of Figuro, Symptony No 36 in C. Linz); Beethoven (Symphony No 6 in F. Pastorala (II)

4.00 Spirit of the Age. Micheleric Wander and Jaramy

Spirit of the Age. Michelene Wander and January Barlow explore the development of stage and spectacular music and the growth in popularity of

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Trinson tell the story of 19, Edith Grove, Chelsea, where impromptu performances by musicians from Casols to Somarnowski took place 8.30 Concert, part two List! (Nuages Gris: En Reve: Hungarian Phapoodes No 10 in E. No 13 in A minor. No 2 in C sharp minor)

9.15 Give a Dog a Bed Name. See Choice (1/4)

9.25 Eos, under Charles Harsterood, Mary King, mezo. Andrew Zolarsky, piano includes Mahler, are Britten (What the Wild Flowers Tell Me. Symphron, No 3). Scrubert (Death and the Maiden, Sting Quartet in Dimitor, arr Mahler). Sigs (Chanson de Math., Charson rie Nutl. orth. Sigar (Chancon de Matri. Chanson de Nuit, orch versions) Schoenberg (Columbine. Pierrot Lunaire). Rowanna Panufinik (Columbine Too)

Schoenberg inhamber Symphony No. 1)

10.45 Night Waves. Tom Whitehouse reports from Baku in Acorbaijan on the populanty of jazz fused with traditional local music Plus Furniphiey Carpetter reviews Am. 5 Vew, the new play from David Hare of the National Theatre in London.

11.30 Composer of the Week: Paul Patterson (r)

12.30am Jazz Notes. Campbet Burnap stroduces more highlights from the 1937 EBU Jazz Festival held in Eupop Finand.

1.00 Timough the Night, with Denald Macked.

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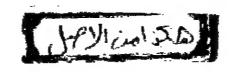
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Brass Ensemble talks about the different skills
needed to perform electro-acoustic music
5.15 in Tune, with Sean Rafferty, includes Gottschalk.
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(L'Aresienne Suite No 1)
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about spending an entire evening in front of the telly, channel-hopping while waiting for your Paolo's Pronto Pizza to arrive (Paolo's Promise: "If we take longer than 30 minutes to deliver your pizza, we'll give it to you free - just as soon as we've all spat at it to make us feel less bitter) is that this random mix of programmes can produce juxtaposinons of people or ideas you would never have thought of yourself.

If we all programmed our television sets to show us only what we know we like - as futurists say we will (yes, even those futurists who never warned us that one day Dale Winton would exist) - we lose that supermarket aspect of channelhopping: of coming across something that catches our eye in passing, something we might not otherwise have sampled.

Can you think of another cir-

ne of the great things cumstance, apart from last night's schedules, in which you would have thought about Bob Boothby and the dramatist Jack Rosenthal in the same breath? But seeing them side by side told you something about how England was, how it still is in many ways, and about how we evaluate someone's standing in society.

Starting a new run of Channel 4's Secret History, Lords Of The Underworld lifted the rock under which the Tory peer Lord Boothby and the gangster Ronnie Kray have been hiding all these years and watched the creepy-crawlies scuttle out. Both were homosexuals with appetites for boys and for the sort of sleaze that gives Jonathan Aitken a good name. Boothby became an MP at 24,

which was impressive when Tory

party leaders were not so young

that they had to rush home from

Shadow Cabinet meetings to finish

their Latin homework. He was

trumpeted as a clever, flamboyant wit and quickly became Winston Churchill's PPS. As Lord Deedes, himself a Tory MP at the time. recalled, Boothby had the world "at his feet". And much else besides: most of it young, male and procured by Ronnie Kray.

Boothby's weakness for gam-bling and lying soon wrecked his political ambitions, but that did not stop him becoming a television star, a peer and a pillar of the Establishment.

t was Leslie Holt, an East London cat burglar and Boothby's lover, who introduced him to the Krays. When, in 1964, the Sunday Mirror discovered this link, together with incriminating photographs, it ran a story about the relationship but did not name names or print the photos. Why not? Would not such a big scandal have helped to secure Harold Wilson's passage to



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Downing Street? Not if it also exposed Tom Driberg - senior Labour MP, member of the National Executive - as a fellow homosexual who was once spotted at a racetrack with Boothby,

importuning young boys.
With the connivance of Wilson and Wilson's "Mr Fixit". Arnold Goodman, Boothby was left in peace. The consequences were huge: the Sunday Mirror, which

libel cheque, was cowed. That cowed the rest of Fleet Street. The Krays were also allowed a free hand, since fingering the Krays would have exposed Boothby. With the press and Scotland Yard sitting on their hands, the Krays embarked on a four-year reign of murder and extortion.

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If it were not for Boothby, and Driberg, and Wilson's hunger for power, and the Tories' eagerness to avoid a second scandal after John Profumo's resignation, the Krays might not have become such an ugly legend. It is a tale that underlines the cynicism of politicians, what it takes for the Establishment to connive in corruption, and how a charlatan such as Boothby could be fêted as a wag. Most preposterously, Boothby was made a peer by Harold Macmil-lan, whose wife, Dorothy, was Boothby's lover.

Jack Rosenthal, the first subject

(BBCI), seems everything Boothby was not. Self-deprecating; honest; Labour-supporting; as flamboyant as chopped liver; Jewish: Mancunian; an outsider; funny and talented. So talented that he could turn Lords Of The Underworld into a television play and find a way to make Boothby a fairly sympathetic character.

et the chances are that Boothby's name still rings more bells in Britain than that of the author of Bar Mitzvah Boy or Eskimo Day. Rosenthal even wrote 129 episodes of the fledgeling Coronation Street in 1961, having begun his working life at Granada as chief buyer of toilet-roll holders. The Omnibus programme subtitled Jack, The Lad was a warm film, narrated by Rosenthal himself, intercut with clips from his plays. If Boothby merited a peerage, Rosenthal

was forced to pay Boothby a fat in a new series of Omnibus deserves a dukedom at least. So far England has handed him a CBE.

"I'm still a bit in the dark." Rosenthal concluded, "about what writing is, apart from not knowing what to do with your arms and legs." Maybe that's the key to getting on in society: Boothby knew exactly what to do with his arms and legs, provided he thought you were pretty enough.

Stopping by BBC2 on the jour-ney from Bouthby and Rosenthal, you caught Hong Kong Shorts, Video Nation's nod to next week's handover. Who better to ask what the colony's future holds than a fortune teller such as Chan Cai-sun of Kowloon: "I guess things won't be that bad. I mean, if you own a shop and you take it back. the most you would do is redecorate."

That depends, Chan, on what you redecorate with. Ever won-dered about that blood-red-lacquer look they go mad for in Beijing?

#### BBC1

6.00am Business Breakfast (94417) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (T) (74057) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (T) (5364724) 9.20 Cheggers' Challenge (3283908) 9.45 Kilroy (1) (9737095) 10.30 Ready, Steady, Cook(26347)

\$11.00 News (T) (2898057) 11.05 Real Rooms Transforming a lacklustre Edwardian dining room (7705057)

11.30 The Great Escape Cairns, Australia 12.00 News (T) and weather (1358182) 12.05pm Call My Bluff (5567786)

12.35 Neighbours (T) (4321502) 1.00 News (T) and weather (77144) 1.30 Regional News (15485873) 1.40 Wimbledon 97 The first round of the

ladies singles (99732786) 4.10 Plasma (6945989) 4.15 The New Yogi Bear Show (6937960) 4.20 Julia Jekyl and Harriet Hyde (5101502) 4.35 Round the Twist (6616182) 5.00 Newsround (T) (8338095) 5.10 Activ-8 (7095298)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (T) (650873) 6.00 News (T) and weather (279) 6.30 Regional News (231) 7.00 Summer Holiday The Caribbean Island

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of St Lucia; Paris; and Los Gigantes on Gran Canaria (T) (7250)

7.30 EastEnders Bets are pleced as Grant and Nigel Imber up for Walford's answer to the Olympics (T) (415) 8.00 The Driving School Joan attempts to regain her confidence, signing up for another course of lessons; Maureen tries to put her sixth unsuccessful test behind her. Twins James and Victoria sail

through the written exam and have a week to wait for their practical (1) (3298) 8.30 Only Fools and Horses Del upsets Rodney by continually interlering in his blossoming love life (r) (T) (2705)

9.00 News (T) and weather (1057)

9.30 The Broker's Man The Dutch hijackers plan a potentially lucrative container robbery, but are forced to flee when on their hands (T) (525873) WALES: 9.30 Week in Week Out (57705) 10.00 The Broker's Man (853328) 10.50 The X Files (910347) 11.35 FILM: Millennium (737927) 1.15 FILM: April Fool's Day (4827922) **2.40** News (9742449)

10.20 The X Files: One Breath Mulder Isams that a comatose Scully has reappeared in hospital under mysterious circumstances (r) (T) (970569)

11.05 Millennium (1989) A group of time travellers rescue doomed passengers from plane disasters in a bid to increase the future world's population. Sci-fi adventure with Kris Kristofferson, Cheryl Ladd and Daniel J. Travanti. Directed by Michael Anderson (476144)

12.45am April Fools' Day (1986) with Deborah Foreman and Griffin O'Neal. An heiress entices a group of teenage friends to spend the weekend on her estate, where they are terrorised by a killer who takes the jake too far on April Fool's Day. Directed by Fred Walton (3954125) 2,10 Westher (2765477)

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#### BBC2 6.00am Open University: Seville -

Gateway to the Indies (3952434) 6.25 Dialogue in the Dark (3971569) 6.50 The Victorian High Church (7972298) 7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (T and

signing) (1681279) 7.30 Teenage Mutant Hero Turties (r) (T) (6599873) 7.55 Blue Peter (r) (T) (2781434) 8.20 The Brollys (2967521)

8.35 The Record (2331250) 9.00 Yesterday at Wimbledon (r) (T) (11148) 10.00 Teletubbies (69637) 10.30 Face to Face: Kate Adie (r) (1725724) 11.10 See Hearl (r) (T) (7716163) 11.40 A-Z of Food (r) (6579873) 11.50 Johnson and Friends

(6575057) 12.00 Wimbledon 97 Desmond Lynam and Sue Barker present action from Ladies Day on the second atternoon in SW19. Commentary by John Barrett, John Alexander, Chris Bailey and Pat Cash Includes at 3.00pm and 3.55 News, regional news and weather (3680637)

8.30 Two Fat Ladies: Food in the Wild Dishes include shooters' sandwich, frittata with onions and basil, and onion soup with Stilton and spiced eggs. Last in series (r) (i) (6237)

9.00 United Kingdom! — Royal Watchers New series of programmes about people's passions and prejudices, beginning with an Insight Into the daily life of Colin, a retired civil servant and loyal monarchist (T) (2927) 9.30 Wimbledon Today Highlights of the second day's play (T) (78388)

10.28 Video Nation Hong Kong Shorts

10.30 Newsnight with Kirsty (T) (921453)



Fellows hits the road (11.15pm)

11.15 500 Bus Stops New series.
All-round entertainer John Shuttleworth, alias Graham Fellows embarks on a comical musical tour of Britain, accompanied by his trusty organ and long-suffering agent (352298)

11.45 United Kingdom! White Settlers A retired couple who moved to a windswept croft in Scotland face local intolerance to outsiders (T) (515231)

11.55 Weather (779502) 12.00 The Midnight Hour Political chat show, with Lesley Riddoch and guests discussing issues raised in Westminster and

beyond (43038) 12.30am Learning Zone: Open University: Hotel Hilbert (20699)

1,00 Talking Buildings (94835) 1.30 The Location Problem (33212) 2.00 Nightschool TV: Science (87293).

4.00 BBC Focus: Teaching and Learning with IT (46361) 4.30 Film Education (88800) 5.00 Inside Europe (51632) 5.30 Film Education (44767)

6.00am GMTV (9136811) 9.25 Supermarket Sweep (r) (T) (3291927) 9.55 Regional News (T) (4978960) 10.00 The Time, the Place (56163) 10.30 This Morning (T) (65322540) 12.20pm Regional News (T) (1339057)

12.30 News (T) and weather (4357927) 12.55 Shortland Street (4332618) 1.25 Home and Away (T) (90535989)

1.50 Liz Earle's Lifestyle New series (T) (31999144) 2.20 Winnetka Road (T) (5902540)

3.20 News (T) (3500724) 3.25 Regional News (T) (3509095)

3.30 Potamus Park (r) (3310182) 3.40 Wizadora (r) (8266163) 3.50 Old Bear Stories (8262347) 4.00 The Twisted Tales of Felix the Cat (T) (9187647) 4.20 Waynehead (T) (9664298) 4.45 Totally California (T) (6607434)

5.10 Highway to Heaven (2/2) (8225892) 5.40 News (T) and weather (833279) 5.57 Pollen Count (539724) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (T) (884786)

6.25 HTV Weather (156540) 6.30 The West Tonight (1) (927) 7.00 Emmerdale Jan makes an interesting proposition to Kim (T) (9618)

7.30 The Matthew Celebrations HM the Queen welcomes the Matthew in Newfoundland (811) 8.00 The Bill The wife of a forgery suspect is arrested by Blake Can Beech persuede

her to help him convict her husband? (T)



8,30 The Paranormal World of Paul McKenna identical twins test their telepathic powers, and a Russian physician demonstrates his alleged X-ray rision (1) (7873)

9.00 Class: The Middle Class Pupils at Gordonstoun talk about their privileged lifestyle and a woman joins the Newbury bypass protesters as an alternative to playing bridge. Last in series (T) (3927)

10.00 News (T) and weather (36724) 10.30 Regional News (T) (305521)

10.40 We Are Not Alone: Sky Watchers (T) (496182) 11.40 The Thing (1982) with Kurt Russell and Wilford Brimley. A group of American scientists in the Antarctic discover the

frozen remains of an alien organism.

Directed by John Carpenter (T) (919434) 1.40 Late and Loud (2997922) 2.40 The Chart Show (r) (6986309)

3.35 International Motor Racing (r)

4.30 The Time, the Place (r) (39534) 5.00 Heirloom (r) (55458) 5.30 News (81293)

#### CENTRAL

As HTV West except: 12.55pm-1.25 A Country Practice (4332618) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8225892) 6.25-7.00 Central News (951811) 7.30-8.00 Blenheim Palace (811)

1.40am Collins and Maconie's Movie Club 2.15 Film; Matters of the Heart (1990). A made-tor-felevision romantic drama

starring Jane Seymour, directed by Michael Rhodes (450108) 3.55 The Big Match Replayed (6163632) 4.35 Central Jobfinder '97 (5388729)

#### WESTCOUNTRY As HTV West except:

5.20 Asian Eye (4021361)

12.20pm-12.30 tiluminations (1354366) 12.55 Home and Away (5544415) 1.20-1.50 Emmerdale (23894502) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (8225892) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (47328) 7.30-8.00 Waterlines (811)

#### MERIDIAN

As HTV West except: 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (8225892) 6.00 Meridian Tonight (347) 6.29 Pollen Count (156540) 6.30-7.00 The Antiques Trail (927) 7.30-8.00 Serve You Right Live (811) 5.00em Freescreen (55458)

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As HTV West except: 12.19pm Anglia Air Watch (1333873) 12.55-1.25 A Country Practice (4332618) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8225892) 6.23 Anglia Weather (164569) 6.25-7.00 Anglia News (951811) 7.30-8.00 Helricom (811) 10,29 Anglia Air Watch (711705)

#### **54C**.±. Starts: 6.00am Sesame Street (95637)

7.00 The Big Breakfast (90095) 9.00 Bewitched (13873) 9.30 Film: The Good Compenions (13680637)

11.35 Springhill (4108144) 12.00 House to House (33637) 12.30pm Ricki Lake (60279) 1.00 Slot Meithrin (10036163) 1.15 Pingu (10031618)

1.30 Film: She (60502) 3.30 Here's One I Made Earlier (705) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (540) 5.00 5 Pump (1304)

5,30 Countdown (796) 6.00 Newyddion (869502) 6.05 Heno (895892) 6,35 Jac yn y Boes (130502)

7.00 Pobol y Cwm (554453) 7.25 Tu Hwnt I'r Deall (185750) 8.00 Rybgi: Y Llewod v Free State (6908)

8.30 Newyddion (5415) 9.00 Rasus (1569) 10.00 Brookside (237366)

10.35 NYPD Blue (474960) 11.30 Northern Exposure (615540) 12.25am My Sister (6709090)

#### CHANNEL 4

6.00am Sesame Street (r) (95637) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (90095)

9.00 Bewitched (r) (T) (13873) 9.30 The Good Companions (1933, b/w) with Jessie Matthews, Edmund Gwenn and John Gielgud Musical cornedy based on

the novel by J.B. Priestley about a small concert party facing ruin. Directed by Victor Saville (13680637) 11.35 Australia Wild Seal-watching (4108144) 12.00 House to House (33637) 12.30pm

Caroline in the City (r) (T) (60279) 1.00 Springhill (T) (23816724) 1.25 Hold Please, Short film about a clockwatching businessman (10055298) 1.40 My Blue Heaven (1950). Musical comedy starring Betty Grable and Dan Dailey. Directed by Henry Koster (T)

3.30 Here's One I Made Earlier Food series (T) (705) 4.00 Fitteen-to-One (T) (6600521) 4.55 Ricki Lake (T) (5892989)

5.30 Pet Rescue (r) (T) (79 6.00 Friends Ross rushes to his former wile's side as she gives birth (r) (T) (882328)

6.25 Fluke Game show (890347) 6.55 Fresh Pop (923434) 7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (422144)

7.50 Grim Hearts (151188)

8,00 Moving People John Peel introduces the last three stories of tamilles moving house Tonight, a single mother of tive sells her house to pay off her debts; Mansfield couple move to a nearby village for their retirement and a local radio DJ hopes his new home will improve his family life (T) (6908)

8.30 Brookside News of a new liaison spreads through the Close. Jacqui is at breaking point (T) (5415)

9.00 My Brother A look at three sets of brothers and the ties that bind them together (2/2) (T) (1569)



Ngor and Waterson (10.00pm)

10.00 The Killing Fields (1984) with Sam Waterson, Haing S. Ngor and John Malkovich. Oscar-winning fact-based story of an American journalist in mbodia and his translator Directed by Roland Joffe (53262665)

12.40am Film Night (7280670) Lancaster as a man who sets out to 1.20 The Swimmer (1968) Drama with Burt "swim" from one suburban swimming

pool to the next in order to reach his Connecticut home. Directed by Frank Perry (251941) 3.00 Something About Love (1989) with Stefan Wodoslawsky and Jason Rubes. A man returns home to nurse his father,

Thomas Berry (138632) 4.45 Um A cinematic poem (38148835) 4.55 The Talking Show (r) (1) (4871670) 5.30 Backdate (r) (T) (39835)

who has Alzheimer's. Directed by

#### CHANNEL 5

CHANNEL 5 ON SATELLITE Channel 5 is now broadcasting on transponder No 63 on the Astra Satellite. transponder No 63 on the Astra Satellite. Viewers with a Videocrypt decoder will be able to receive the channel free of charge. Frequencies for transponder No 63 are picture: 10.92075 GHz; sound: 7.02 and 7.20 MHz

6.00am 5 News Early (6663539)

7.30 Havakazoo (3083347) 8.00 Adventures of the Bush Patrol (8292347) 8.30 WideWorld Advertisers and animators use of language (8291618)

9.00 Espresso (3545714) 10.00 Exclusive! (r) (1188415) 10.30 Hot Property (r) (8204182)

11.00 Leeza (1418250) 11.50 Double Espresso (90747417) 12.00 The Bold and the Beautiful (1) (8295434) 12.30pm Family Aflairs (r) (T) (5810255) 1.00 5 News Update (T) (52453453) 1.05 Sunset Beach (T) (9369989) 2.00 5's

Company (8916989)

3.30 Higher and Higher (1943) with Frank
Sinatra and Michelle Morgen Musical
comedy directed by Tim Whelan

(1883250) 5.20 5's Company: Late Extra (99471502) 5.30 100 Per Cent (7787569)

6,00 Whittle (T) (7777182) 6.30 Family Affairs A depressed Elsa refuses

to tace the truth (T) (7768434) 7.00 Exclusive! (6831569) 7.30 Natural Natives: The Fall of Squirrel

Nutkin is the decline of the British red squirrel a natural one, or has it been pushed aside by the more common American grey squirrel? (T) (7764618)



Offvia Newton-John (8.00pm)

8.00 Fame and Fortune A look at the hiestyle of the Australian singer and actress Olivia Newton-John in her environmentally

friendly Malibu home (6817989) 8,30 5 News (T) (6829724)

9.00 Poltergeist: The Legacy — Man in the Mist A man emerges from a heavy watertront log unaware of his identity and wearing a 100-year-old sallor's costume

9.55 Poltergeist: The Legacy — Ghost in Red Nick gives a lift to a woman who died weeks earlier (T) (9559057)

10.50 The Jack Docherty Show (3392845) 11.35 The Comedy Store Includes performances from Ricky Rover, John Moloney and Paul Tonkinson. Plus: Jo Brand, Julian Clary and Mark Thomas talk about their apprenticeships at the Comedy Store. Last in series (6550434)

12.00 Live and Dangerous includes at 2.00am the ninth IndyCar Grand Prix (351816)

4.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H (3071496) 5.30 100 Per Cent (r) (2090629)

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8.00ato Morning Giory (735705) 9.00 Regis and, Kathie Lee (72298) 10.80 Another World (31365) 11.00 Days of Our Lives (1502) 12.00 The Oprah Winhey Show (87980) 1.00pm Geratido (88365) 2.00 Sally Jessy Raphael (17298) 3.00 Jerny Jones (2659) 4.00 The Oprah Winhey Show (2559) 6.00 Stor Trek. The Next Gerseration (1005) 6 on Deat W. 4062 6 50 Married (1005) 6.00 Real TV (4057) 6.30 Married — with Children (8637) 7.00 The Simpsons (2724) 7.30 M\*A\*S\*H (7521) 8.00 Speedl (8144) 8.36 Real TV UK (7279) 9.00 The 10.00 The Practice (25144) 11.00 Star Tel-(10.00 The Practice (25144) 11.00 Star Tel-(10.00 The Next Generation (2005) 12.00 The Lucy Show (76380) 12.30mm LAPD (27003) 1.00 Hit Max (1120729)

SKY 2: 7.00pm Superboy (4554279) 7.30 Superboy (8051279) 8.00 Xena: Warnor Probess (6714873) 9.00 Pacific Bue 71.00 Late Show with David Letterman 7 (7062250) 12.00 Hit Mix (2218106)

SKY NEWS Worldwide news coverage, with bulletins on the hour, 24 hours a day, seven days a week

SKY MOVIES 6.00mm Scout's Honor (1980) (21018796) 7.45 The Chairman (1969) (8285/279) 9.30 Amorel (1993) (10831724) 11.15 The 9.30 Amorel (1993) (10831724) 11.15 The Stone Boy (1994) (51470144) 1.00pm Oh, Heavenly Dogl (1990) (37915105) 2.45 Scouts Henor (1990) (37515105) 2.45 Trissam (1995) (33508569) 7.00 Hercules and the Circle of Pire (1994) (32879) 9.00 Braveheart (1995) (59226115) 11.55 The Shouter (1995) (602582) 1.40am Permis-ston to KIO (1975) (854699) 3.20 The Slaggiest (1994) (4902651)

THE MOVIE CHANNEL (1838) (61329) 8.00 Bigloot: The Unforgethide Encounter (1994) (99892) 10.00 Holday on the Buses (1973) (3981) 12.00 Seventh Heaven (1937) (89415) 2.00pm Holday (1937) (47366) 4.00

(1994) (4569) 6.00 The Rocidord Files: Friends end Fout Play (1996) (5789) 7.30 Special Feature: Comics in the Cinema (2601) 8.00 The American President (1995) (38347) 10.00 Jake (1995) (145637) 11.40 Pummaro (1994) (270219) 1.25am Dracsia AD 1972 (1972) (36038) 3.05 A Family Divided (1994) (223309) 4.40 Stouentays on the Ark (1149106)

SKY MOVIES GOLD 6.00pm A Tree Grows in Brooks 6.00pm A Tree Grows in Broatlyn (1945) (15879231) 8.10 Le Bamba (1987) (67180958) 10.00 Good Guys Weer Black (1979) (4631095) 11.40 The Incident (1967) (3928144) 1.20em The Music Lovers (1971) (86809922) 3.25 The First Travelling Salestady (1956) (82654729)

9.00pm it Happened at the World's Fair (1963) (39997076) 11.00 Srainstorm (1983) (15390502) 12.50em Endangered Species (1962) (20773274) 2.30-5.00 it Happened at the World's Feir (1963)

SKY SPORTS 1

State v British Loris — In (14652) 4, 16163 9,00 Beach Soccer (93569) 10,00 Sports Centre (86366) 10,30 Ptod (66908) 11,30 Rugby Union: Free State v British Loris (96637) 1,00mm Courtidown to Judgement Nght II (48253) 1,30 Beach Soccer (82458) 2,30-3,00 Sports Centre (95274) SKY SPORTS 3

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Watersports World (17540) 8.30 Racing News (74521) 9.00 Sports Centre (65673) 9.30 Aerobess OZ Style (43273) 10.00 Grand Prix Saiing (21415) 10.30 Cricket NatWeat Trophy — Live (4461601) 2.30pm Rugby League: Warrington v Auckland (68144) 4.30 Grand Prix Saiing (4076) 5.00 Wrestling (8279) 6.00 Rugby Union: Free State v British Loris — Live (146502) 8.30 Crumtour to Judorement Night II (8165)

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Sports Centre (63859969) 7.30 Pool
(91511973) 8.30 Showjumping Canadian
Pacific World Cup (35431989) 10.00-11.30
Cnctaer NatiWest Trophy (67749908) EUROSPORT

7.30am Morors Magazine (19908) 8.30

Cycling: Tour of Switzerland (63811) 9.30 Football: World Youth (33989) 10.30 Speedworld (72237) 11.30 Matercycling: Euro Open (40521) 12.30pm Dusthion CITO Open (402c1) Exaupta Dutampra (72273) 1.30 Opcing Tour of Suttizariand Live (83980) 3.00 Opcing. Tour of Castalunya Live (43076) 4.00 Tour of France Roechook (3860) 4.30 Opcing: Track World Out (64540) 5.30 Stock Cer (39328) 6.30 Cup (95040) 5.30 Stock Cr [39.529] 6.30 Freende Megazine (1999) 7.00 Daris World Championships (82453) 8.00 Boxing: 10x3 Westerweight Championship Live (7998) 10x0 Football World Youth (81724) 11.00 Equestriarism (72637) 12.00-12.30mm Cycling, Tour of Switzerland (16922) UK GOLD

7.00am Record Breaters (4557637) 7.35
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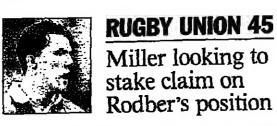
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# Henman emerges in sunshine state

By JULIAN MUSCAT, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

TIM HENMAN duly advanced into the second round at Wimbledon yesterday when he dismissed Daniel Nestor, of Canada, with a rare and refreshing authority. In a performance entirely reflective of the weather. Henman started as drably as the overcast sky but closed out the match with a flurry of clean winners under bright sunshine.

This was a significant hurdle for Henman, who was understandably tentative at the start. Yet from the moment break, which he snaffled 13-11 on his fourth set point, Henman's stature increased with every stroke. The ignominy of a first-round exit is firmly behind him and he can now settle into the requisite rhythm to progress.
"I was a little bit nervous

but I think that's a good thing." he said. "The first match can be a little bit difficult in any tournament, let alone the first round at Wimbledon. You have to find your feet. I am not getting carried away but I am very happy. I'm delighted to be through to the econd round."

After his exploits 12 months ago, when he reached the quarter-finals. Henman enrapturous reception. The expectancy seemed to weigh heavily on him as he struggled, initially, to impose himself on his opponent. Nestor opened the match with a first service winner, itself a litting baptism for the new arena in this, the age of power tennis. But the Yugoslav-born righthander offered little else. leaning heavily on his delivery to

Henman arrived seemingly bent on putting Nestor to the sword. He swiftly broke his drilling a backhand down the line but Henman, whose form of late has been brittle, failed to consolidate, a couple of double faults and an unforced

error frittering away the advantage. From then the set headed inexorably towards a tie-break, which released Henman's juices as it throttled Nestor's spirit. It proved the turning point of the match. Tie-breaks always generate ebb and flow; this was no

exception as each player took turns to hold the advantage. However, what was so welcome about Henman's ap-proach was the way he retrieved some precarious situations with positive play. On each occasion he stared at a set point he responded with clini-



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cal precision, hitting service winners past Nestor where he had earlier struggled to find

Henman came into Wimbledon still searching for the form which, in January, substantially raised his profile within the men's game. He looked out of sorts at Nottingham, and Queen's before that, but there was plenty of encouragement in the way he played the key points. "I think I've learnt from the way I've been playing recently," he said. "I had opportunities and I didn't make first serves. In those times I was behind in the tieadded attention to each serve. I was making a lot of big serves to get myself out of trouble." His tally of aces reached 15 by the close.

The confidence Henman derived from winning the tiebreak, in which he saved three set points, was evident thereafter. It is true that Nestor, never much better than erratic, was now a broken spirit. But Henman deserved credit for the way he progressed. "I thought to myself: 'Let's try to make life life easier in the next couple of sets'," he

and said: 'Let's go up a few gears'. I definitely did that." He certainly did. Herman breezed through the second set 6-1 and was always ahead in the third. An early break once again emphasised Henman's dominance and he closed out the contest with another imposing service game to prevail 7-6, 6-1, 6-4. It is encouraging that there remains considerable scope for improvement within Henman's game.

On a day truncated by rain, Richard Krajicek, the defending champion and projected to meet Henman in the last 16, looked in ominously destructive mood when he cantered to victory over Marcello Craca. of Germany, in straight sets. As with Nestor, Craca just about contained Krajicek in the opening set. From then on it was one-way traffic as Krajicek of Holland, reminded the Centre Court crowd of his formidable serving pow-

Krajicek, seeded No 4, flew into Wimbledon only last night: he had yet to reacquaint himself with his territory. I haven't seen the changes to the No! Court or anything, he said. "I won a match in Holland yesterday [Sunday]. came straight here and then out to play. After winning here last year I felt a little bit nervous, so it was a great feeling to get through this but these are the kind of matches you don't go looking for beauty prizes. I feel very confident.

He also handled with aplomb some barbed questions about the parade of champions on No i Court in advance of his traditional opening of the championships on Centre Court. He said the likes of Pete Sampras and

Boris Becker were entitled to be honoured, doubtless think-ing to himself that the best way to join them was to match winners. With his huge serve and a a resurgence in his overall form, Krajicek looks ready to mount a robust defence of his title.

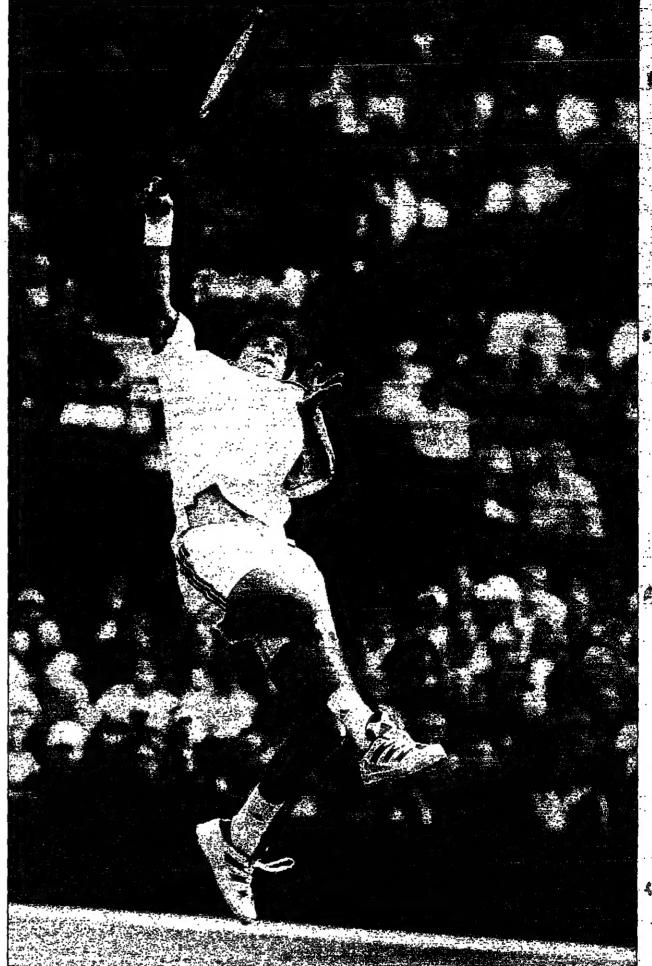
Another men's seed through in a hurry was Goran Ivanisevic, of Croatia, who completed his victory over Dinu Pescariu, of Romania, before the first break for rain soon after 1pm. Ivanisevic, yet to win a Grand Slam tile, underlined who many balisme underlined why many believe he could end his drought this time. He prevailed for the loss of just seven games.

Henman was not the sole winner among British men. Andrew Richardson, a close friend of the British No I, was an equally comprehensive winner over Sergi Duran, the British No 4 seeing off the Spaniard 7-6, 6-3, 6-3. At 6ft 7in, Richardson made maxi-mum use of his considerable leverage in the eleventh game of the opening set, crashing down four aces in the ultimate

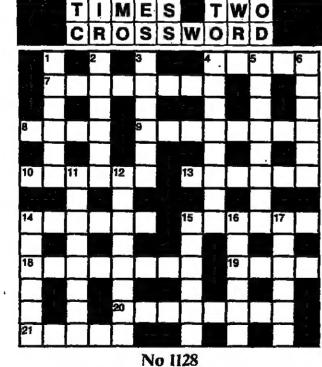
display of serving. But Julie Pullin, a wild-card entrant among British women, only narrowly avoided the ignominy of Wimbledon's first loser in her match
with Magdelena Maleeva, of
Bulgaria. Pullin succumbed
6-1, 6-3 in just over an

Among the women's seeds, Iva Majoli, the heroine of Paris, rallied strongly after tamely conceding the opening set to Mariana Diaz-Olivia, of Argentina. The No 1 seed, angry when beaten on a minor court at Eastbourne last week, had little trouble thereafter, coming through 2-6, 6-0,

Also through to the second are Lindsay Davenport and Irina Spirlea, seeded No 12 and No 4 respectively. It was, in fact a productive day all round for the seeds in action. Carlos Moya, the beaten finalist in Melbourne but a firstround loser at Nottingham last week, wobbled slightly before brushing aside Steve Bryan, of the United States, 7-6, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.



Henman rises to the challenge on the first day of Wimbledon, smashing during his victory over Nestor



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tralia in a Lord's Test this century. Michael Atherton, who broke the record of another distinguished predecessor. Peter May, in the second Test match is the latest in a long line of leaders who have found the men in haggy caps too resolute.

By MICHAEL HENDERSON

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Atherion's own record at Lord's reflects the frustrations that England teams have endured down the years. Four vears ago, he was run out for 99 after losing his footing attempting a third run.

Yesterday, he trod on his stumps after turning Michael Kasprovice for a single to long leg. He could not recall being dismissed in that way, man or boy. Although he felt

the interruptions for rain made the game unsatisfactory for players and spectators, Wyatt, the captain in 1934, will Atherton was pleased by England's performance on the last day in securing a draw. There was only one result

possible when play began. other than a draw, and the case with which we hatted

Richardson was fully extended, but not seriously troubled, during his defeat of Duran. Photograph: Gill Allen



Atherton: pleased

England preserve series advantage throughout the day was encouraging," he said.
Of Mark Butcher's 87, the

captain thought his fellow opener had measured up to a test of character brought about by public discussion of his three previous failures

"He is a good player and he has to believe in the game that has taken him to the top. You only learn to play Test cricket hy spending time at the crease and he will have learnt more today than he has done so far in his career."

Mark Taylor, the Australia captain, was also pleased with the performance of his team. Apart from the eight wickets that Glenn McGrath took in the England first innings, and the hundred for Matthew Elliott, he thought that Paul Reiffel bowled well and that Shane Warne was beginning to approach his best form. "I'd

days, and see him bowl on the last day." he said.

It is 19 matches since Australia drew a Test, and Taylor does not expect to see many more this summer. "There are four matches to go, and we can still win three of them. If we win one we'll be ahead in the series because we hold the Ashes. We're not at our best yet but we are closer than we were a week or so ago."

Australia have two games before the third Test to nurse some of their batsmen back into form, and to get their fastest bowler, Jason Gillespie, properly fit. All roads now lead to Old Trafford, where Peter Marron, the groundsman, has the job of preparing a pitch for the pivotal Test of the summer.

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